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Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir (left) and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres take a quiet moment to contemplate the outcome of next week's Israeli elections. [IPPA photo]

Israel remains in General Assembly

Arab move fails at UN

By
YITZHAK RABI

NEW YORK (JTA)—
Israel scored a resounding diplomatic victory here last week when the Arab group of nations failed for the seventh successive year to oust the Jewish state from the UN General Assembly.

An Arab motion to deny Israel's credentials to the 43rd General Assembly was blocked by a vote of 95-41, with seven abstentions. It was one of the largest margins since the Arabs first attempted the maneuver in 1982.

The Arab move was defeated following a countermotion by Norway not to consider the Arab amendment at all.

Israel's permanent representative to the United Nations, Ambassador Yochanan Bein, hailed the outcome as an indication of Israel's rising esteem in the world community.

The vote to block the Arab challenge was backed by 15 more countries than last year, when a similar Arab measure was defeated by a vote of 80-39, with 10 abstentions.

It was a "great victory for Israel," Bein told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency after the vote.

Clearly elated by the outcome, Bein said it was a "direct result of Israel's developing relationship with the countries of the world."

He attributed the outcome to the efforts of the staff of Israel's UN mission, adding "It turns out that Israel's standing in the world, despite the events in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, is not only not diminishing but in fact, when it comes to meaningful decisions, Israel's standing is clearly on the rise."

Bein noted that the increase of the vote supporting Israel from 80 to 95 "is not incidental, and it has a meaningful implication for Israel's real status in the world community."

Immediately after the vote, Vernon Walters, the American ambassador, and his deputy, Herbert Okun, went over to the Israeli delegation to offer congratulations.

An analysis of the results showed that only two new countries, Jordan and Niger, joined the Arab ranks this year. Neither had participated in the vote a year ago.

The African states voted 24-11 in support of Israel, a major shift in sentiment since last year.

Egypt, the only Arab state that has diplomatic relations with Israel, remained steadfast in its support of Israel on the credentials issue.

Israel was supported by the entire Western bloc and 31 Latin and Caribbean countries, the notable exception being Cuba, which backed the Arabs.

There was also a change of mood among the Communist bloc countries of Eastern Europe, though not the Soviet Union.

Hungary actually voted against the Arabs, whereas last year it did not participate.

East Germany, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia and Poland, once supporters of the Arabs, absented themselves from the voting. So did Albania, a Communist country outside the Eastern bloc.

The People's Republic of China abstained, as it did last year. But Israel's biggest disappointment was the Soviet Union's continued support of the Arab efforts to deny its credentials.

The motion to single Israel out from among the 123 countries whose credentials were up for General Assembly approval was introduced as an amendment by the Yemen Democratic Republic (South Yemen). It was never voted on.

East Germany to pay "symbolic" reparations

BONN (JTA) —
The German Democratic Republic is prepared to pay a "symbolic sum" of reparations to the Jewish survivors of the Holocaust, World Jewish Congress president Edgar Bronfman announced at an East Berlin news conference last week.

Bronfman, who met with the GDR leader Erich Honecker in East Berlin, mentioned no sum.

Bronfman said the details would be worked out between the East German government and the New York-based Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany.

It will be the first time East Germany, a Communist bloc country, acknowledges an obligation to Jewish survivors. West Germany did so in 1952, when it negotiated reparations agreements during the administration of Konrad Adenauer, the first post-war chancellor.

The West German government has paid about $45 billion — in today's rate of exchange — in reparation to Jewish victims of the Holocaust and to the State of Israel.

Edgar Bronfman

One of East Germany's conditions is that the reparations it pays will not go to Jews living in West Germany, but rather to institutions and individuals in the United States, Israel and other countries.

Bronfman, who praised Honecker for his sympathy toward the Jews, said he was convinced that East Germany is trying to preserve the memory of the Jewish communities that existed before World War II, and is committed to the survival of the tiny Jewish community which lives there now.

In addition to his hour-long conversation with Honecker, Bronfman met with Kurt Loeffler, a vice minister for religious affairs, who is believed to deal directly with the reparations issue.

He also met with Foreign Minister Oskar Fisher, the top official responsible for foreign trade.

According to Bronfman, Honecker clearly supports Israel's right to exist and believes an international conference is the best way to Middle East peace.

East Germany and Israel could very well establish diplomatic relations in the foreseeable future, though they have never been "on speaking terms," Bronfman said.

East German newspapers carried reports of Bronfman's visit and praised the Jewish leader as a man of peace and friendship.

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MONTREAL —
Canadian Jewish Congress, commenting on the decision of East Germany to make reparations to the Jewish people for crimes committed by the Nazis, says in a news release that it is "pleased to learn that negotiations will now commence following the visit of World Jewish Congress president Edgar Bronfman to East Berlin."

CJC executive vice-president Alan Rose said that CJC has been "in constant communication" with the Canadian government "to urge the German Democratic Republic (East Germany) to extend restitution to Jewish victims of Nazi oppression."

Rose said: "We are grateful for the understand-

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Full election story will appear Nov. 10

One of the tough jobs of publishing a weekly newspaper is exactly that — we come out only once a week, and as a result we often miss out on "hard news" stories.

A case in point is the Israeli election, on Nov. 1. As we print The CJN on late Monday afternoon — and we can't change because of a rigid pressroom schedule — we'll miss the election story for our Nov. 3 issue. However, you can be sure that we'll have the full story of the results in our Nov. 10 issue. Probably much more complete than what you get in the daily papers or on TV and radio.

Israel vote too close to call, CIC states

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
Canada and Israel both appear to be caught up in election fever at the moment as politicians from different parties attempt to woo voters.

However, there are many differences in the political processes between the two countries. While Canada essentially has three major political parties with such issues as free trade, child care, abortion, Meech Lake and social programs, the situation is quite different in Israel.

To help Jews in the Diaspora understand who the politicians are and the issues in the upcoming Israeli vote, the Canada-Israel Committee has come out with Democracy in Action 1988, a publication written by David Weinberg, director of research and education for the CIC, outlining the "actors and issues" in Israeli politics.

In the 1988 Israeli elections on Nov. 1, 27 parties — ranging from left- and right-wing parties, religious and major parties — will vie for 120 seats in the Knesset or Israeli Parliament.

Unlike the Canadian system where party candidates run in local constituencies, Israeli elections are based on proportional representation. Under this system, each party publishes a list of its candidates, in order of priority, and votes are cast for the respective party lists.

Parties gain representation in the Knesset according to their proportional share of valid votes cast. Parties which receive less than 1% of the popular vote are barred from the Knesset.

Since a number of smaller parties are able to gain representation under this system, majority governments are a rare, if not almost impossible phenomenon in Israel. Therefore major parties like Labor and Likud are forced to form coalitions to govern.

Last time out, Labor elected 44 members to Likud's 41, with the remaining 35 seats being divided among 13 small parties. However since both parties could not form effective coalitions, a national unity government was born with Labor leader Shimon Peres and Likud boss Yitzhak Shamir each serving as Prime Minister and foreign minister for 2-year terms.

This time the CIC says the election is too close to call as recent surveys show a persistently even split between voters for the two major blocs. Most polls indicate Likud and its allies might capture some 58-61 seats in the Knesset and Labor and its allies could possibly form a coalition of some 58-62 seats.

While current conflicts in the West Bank and Gaza may appear as the important election issue to Diaspora Jews, the CIC says that Israelis see little practical difference in the policies of the two major blocs.

"Although the declared political platforms of the two parties contain some sharply differing positions in principle, on the important issues neither party is likely to adopt radical departures in the current situation," the CIC states. "The perception of many Israelis is that a change in the Arab-Israel status quo is dependent on change in the Pal-

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Kach's ouster aids Likud

By
DAVID LANDAU

JERUSALEM (JTA) —
Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's Likud bloc appears to be the chief beneficiary of a decision by Israel's highest court to disqualify Rabbi Meir Kahane's Kach party from running in the Nov. 1 Knesset elections.

A 5-judge panel of the High Court of Justice decided unanimously last week to reject Kahane's appeal of a ban imposed on his party Oct. 6 by the Central Election Committee.

At the same time, the court ruled by a 3-2 majority that the predominantly Arab Progressive List for Peace, which supports a Palestinian state, may participate in the elections.

The effects of these decisions on the outcome of the elections are a matter of speculation. But political pundits have already suggested that Likud, rather than the Labor Party, will benefit.

In the Kach case, a panel headed by the court's president, Justice Meir Shamgar, affirmed a finding by the Central Election Committee that the Kach Party is racist and opposed to the democratic nature of the state. Such parties are disqualified from running in elections, under an amendment to the Basic Laws.

The amendment was not in force when Kahane was elected to the Knesset in 1984. He now holds the Kach movement's only seat in the 120-member legislative body, but his party was expected to win additional seats in the Nov. 1 elections.

Charges of racism against the Kach Party are based on its platform, which among other things calls for the expulsion of all Arabs from Israel and the territories. The party would also deny Israeli Arabs the right to vote and would favor criminal penalties against Jews who marry or have sexual relations with Arabs.
The legal process against Kach was initiated by the Central Election Committee by Labor, Likud and the smaller parties represented on the committee. The committee is chaired by Eliezer Goldberg, himself a High Court Justice.

The effort to ban the Progressive List was undertaken by Likud, the ultranationalist Tehiya

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Jewish poet touchstone for Chinese

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

There was a time when the name of Heinrich Heine evoked immediate recognition, not only in his native Germany but in cultural circles far beyond its borders. Jews everywhere paid close attention to the poet, for he was of Jewish birth, but today he is hardly remembered. Now suddenly, the Chinese, of all people, have revived him.

Rabbi Plaut

Hayim Heine was born in 1797 into a Jewish family in Duesseldorf and raised to adulthood during the heady days of Emancipation, when many Jews were given their first access to the outside world with its attractions and its opportunities to venture into the hitherto closed arena of German culture. The young, gifted Heine was among them, and soon he made a name for himself as an essayist and, especially, as a poet. When the old man of German letters, Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, died in 1832, the young Jew was considered his successor. His poems were set to music, and his *Lorelei* became the country's sentimental favorite.

Jewish ballads

But Heine was a Jew and there were limits to his acceptability. Eventually he forsook his religion and took the first name of "Heinrich." But he was not happy with what he had done and continued to refer to himself, whenever he could, as a Jew and wrote some memorable Jewish ballads.

Eventually he became disenchanted with his native land and moved to Paris, the capital of European culture. Here he died, a double exile, and was buried at Pere Lachaise cemetery. By that time he was no longer a confessing Christian and had in his own mind (though not formally) returned to his Jewish roots. "I am sorry I was baptized," he said, "it brought me nothing but misfortune." When he heard of his friend Eduard Gans' conversion he commented: "If he did it out of conviction he is a fool; and if out of hypocrisy, a scoundrel."

Meanwhile, Heine's name as a poet grew in stature; his poems enjoyed some 4,000 musical settings; and his sharp critiques on reigning cultural trends were read everywhere and influenced a great variety of writers, Shaw, Nietzsche and George Eliot among them. His devastating assessment of German civilization became the centre of national debate. A hundred years before Hitler, he predicted the victory of demonic forces in his native land.

No wonder then, when the Nazis came to power, Heine's Jewishness was rediscovered, his writings were banned, and he was de-listed as the author of the *Lorelei*.

Today he is back in favor, and his poems are part of the school curricula.

Now, strangest of all turns, he has been raised to preeminence in the People's Republic of China and (according to a German newspaper report) has become that vast nation's "most beloved and well known Western author. A recent international Heine symposium at Beijing University showed how well the Chinese know their Heine whom they have taken to their own."

The gathering of scholars from around the world emphasized the two aspects of his writings which were considered by the participants as his enduring contribution to world culture: Heine's exotic-romantic poetry and his capacity of isolating the roots of culture. Both of these aspects strike a responsive chord in present-day Chinese intellectual life.

What a fascinating development: the inner struggles of a 19th century Jew, which led to his exile both from Judaism and Germany and eventually to his tentative return to the former, now become the touchstone of another culture. China, too, is immersed in a struggle of the same kind: alienated from Confucian roots by the Mao Revolution, there is now a painful attempt to recover the past. Heinrich Heine would be pleased to find that he has become the paradigm of this effort.

Over 60% would give up part of territories: poll

Israelis want to make concessions

HARRY HALL, Jerusalem director of the Anti-Defamation League, reports to the Jerusalem Post Foreign Service on the results of a poll, commissioned by the ADL, to determine the impact of the intifada on Israeli public opinion.

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Sixty-five percent of Israelis would make considerable concessions to achieve peace — including giving up parts of the densely inhabited territories or sharing power — as long as Israel's security is not compromised, according to an Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith poll of Israeli public opinion.

The ADL survey released last week consists of a random sampling of 1,200 Israeli Jews from diverse political, social, ethnic and religious backgrounds. It was conducted between Aug. 25 and Sept. 1 by Penn & Schoen Associates, Inc., of New York, with the assistance of Dahaf, an Israeli polling firm. The poll's margin of error is plus-or-minus 3%.

Burton S. Levinson, ADL's national chairman, said that the League conducted the survey "because there is much speculation in the U.S. concerning the impact of the West Bank and Gaza uprisings on Israeli public opinion. Many in America — whether decision-makers in Washington or just concerned citizens around the country — wondered where Israel and its people stand on the major issues of the Middle East that are so vital to American interests.

Of the 65% favoring concessions in return for peace, 34% said Israel should partially withdraw from the territories while maintaining a military presence; 17% believed Israel should withdraw to pre-1967 borders in return for international security guarantees; and 14% thought Israel should share rule of the territories with the Palestinians or Jordan. Thirty-two percent of Israelis, however, favored annexing and keeping control of the West Bank and Gaza.

Other responses also indicated an openness to concessions:

- 60% said it is more important to Israel's security to give up part of the territories for peace than to hold on to the territories without peace; 39% said that it is more important for Israel's security to hold on to the territories without peace than to give up part of them.
- 64% wanted to see some change in the status quo; 32% did not.
- 60% favored direct negotiations with Palestinian representatives; 37% opposed the idea; 3% didn't know. However, 72% said any Palestinian representatives must first renounce terrorism and recognize Israel's right to exist; 24% opposed these preconditions; 4% were undecided.
- **71% said they don't believe the PLO is sincere about wanting to negotiate peace; 25% believe it is; 4% said they didn't know. And when asked if they favor or oppose Israel negotiating directly with the PLO, 64% opposed the idea; 34% favored it and 2% said they didn't know.**
- 57% would oppose direct negotiations with the PLO even if it renounced terrorism and recognized Israel's right to exist; 39% would favor direct negotiations under those circumstances; 4% didn't know.

On the establishment of a demilitarized Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza, 64% said they viewed that prospect as a threat to Israel's existence; 23% said it would not pose a threat.

As for the handling of the uprising, 53% said Israel did not use enough force to quell the rioting; 29% said it was the right amount; 15% said it was too much force and the remainder didn't know. Asked if the army has handled the uprising appropriately or inappropriately, 58% said appropriately; 40% said inappropriately.

The one subject on which most Israelis agreed is the status of Jerusalem. Ninety-two percent said they would not give up Israel's capital in any circumstances; 7% said they would consider the idea; 1% were undecided.

Atomic power to come in 2,000

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Israel's electric corporation will operate a nuclear power plant by the beginning of the next century, and at least 80% of its components will be manufactured in Israel, Energy Minister Shahal told reporters recently.

Israel is one of the world pioneers in developing the next generation of nuclear power reactors, Shahal said, and moreover, Israel's nuclear power stations will consume locally produced uranium.

Two government companies, Israel Electric Corp. and Israel Chemicals, as well as the local coal company, have reached agreement to establish a uranium and phosphates plant on the Rotem plateau in the Negev.

It is expected to start production in two years. It will sell its processed uranium abroad until the first nuclear power plants open in Israel.

Life is tough enough without dangerous holidays

By
RICHARD COHEN

WASHINGTON —

A little bit of background, if you don't mind.

On the 2nd floor of the Washington Post building is the cafeteria, and next to it is the Health Center. Almost every day, taking instruction from my stomach, I go down to the cafeteria and pass the Health Center. Almost every day, the Health Center makes me sick.

During the summer, for instance, the Health Center covered the nearby wall with a display that warned of skin cancer. From what I could tell at a glance, more than 2½ minutes in the sun would result, without a doubt, in skin cancer. There were, I think, pictures of what to notice and then still more pictures of people who, having just rushed outside to retrieve the cat, died almost instantly from the effects of the sun.

This sort of thing goes on year-round. There is not a holiday you can name that will not prompt a display from the Health Center. Christmas is its favorite holiday. To the Health Center — indeed, to health professionals everywhere — Christmas is not a joyous holiday but a debacle waiting to happen. 'Tis the season of overeating and overdrinking. 'Tis the season of great expectations and, therefore, great depression. 'Tis the season of loneliness, anxiety, anomie, angst and, for good measure, skin cancer.

Next comes New Year's Eve, which, to the Health Center, is merely a plague in disguise. Food and drink. More food and drink. Once again people overindulge. We turn overly romantic, which means, natch, that we get our hearts broken. This causes our cholesterol level to rise, which blocks our heart, which causes, precisely two days after New Year's Eve, skin cancer. People who celebrate the holiday in the Caribbean last hardly a day. They all come home in the cargo hold.

Last year the Health Center put itself on wartime footing for, of all things, Valentine's Day. It, too, is bad for your health. It suggests romance, love, companionship. And what if you have none of these things in your life? Yes! What then? (I'm glad you asked.) Well, what happens is that you come to expect them. And they don't materialize, which causes — you guessed it — skin cancer.

To me the Health Center has come to symbolize all that is unhealthy about the current health fad. Everything that was once enjoyable now turns out to be unhealthful. I am speaking, of course, of red meat and, specifically, of steak, which I love. I am speaking of butter, which I also love. I am speaking of booze in moderation and, from time to time, booze in immoderation, which creates a temporary behaviour change without which life would be one vast treadmill from birth to grave — a line so flat that if it were on a cardiogram would represent death.

But life has its risks and perils. No one ever said Valentine's Day was fair. That holiday has its winners and losers. That is the nature of romance. The same goes for Christmas and New Year's Eve. Of course, we expect something special from those occasions because they are, after all, special. And we also know we often expect too much.

I know the Health Center means well. But its displays fill me with foreboding. There is no activity, no holiday, that sooner or later I do not come to see as a peril, a menace. As I pass the displays in the weeks before Christmas, I come to think there is no way I will survive the holidays. It is for this reason that I kept a wary eye on the Health Center bulletin boards in the weeks preceding Flag Day. What would they come up with? What about the dye used in flags? Oh boy! Just touch a flag and within a day or two the dye has entered your system and you're a goner.

How did the human race ever survive before health centers? Here were all these people eating meat, drinking booze, celebrating Christmas and New Year's — and somehow they managed to survive. Golly, they must have been a depressed lot! Valentine's Day must have knocked them for a loop. (Atlantis disappeared after one Valentine's Day.) Their lives were a rollercoaster of soaring expectations ("Pray, canst thou be my Valentine, Priscilla?") and crashing disappointments ("Thou pleaseth me not, Miles").

But it was life. It was life in all its uncertainty and unpredictability — a tough life for most people, a struggle broken only by an occasional holiday. It was, in fact, holidays that helped pull them through. Now life is easier, but the holidays, like cigarette packs, bear warning labels.

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Ambassador sees normalization of ties in one to two years

Hungary ready to upgrade relations with Israel

By
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TORONTO —

Hungary and Israel are on the road toward a resumption of full diplomatic relations, says Hungary's ambassador to Canada, Rezso Banyasz.

Banyasz, who served as spokesman of the Hungarian government prior to taking up his post in Ottawa last August, cautioned that "no exact date" for complete normalization has as yet been worked out.

Hungary, however, has set "no preconditions" for such ties, and Banyasz expressed the hope that Israel and Hungary will reestablish full diplomatic relations within one or two years. In this connection, he said he hoped Hungary would be "the first" East bloc nation to resume such ties with the Jewish state.

In 1967, shortly after the Six Day War, Hungary, in common with the Soviet Union and all but one of its East European allies, Romania, severed links with Israel in solidarity with the Arab world.

A year ago, as part of the trend toward rapprochement between Israel and Eastern Europe, Hungary and Israel established limited diplomatic relations, below the level of ambassador.

Prior to that, Poland and Israel resumed low-level ties, and the Soviet Union dispatched a consular delegation to Israel.

Recently, Czechoslovakia announced that it, too, would send a consular delegation to Israel, while Bulgaria revealed it would open a trade mission in the Jewish state.

In an interview, Banyasz — the former chairman of the Information Office of the Council of Ministers and Hungary's onetime envoy to Britain — said it was in Hungary's interest to have normal relations with Israel.

Such ties, he explained, would make it easier for Hungary's estimated 90,000 Jews to "feel more at home, more at ease," and would facilitate greater Israeli tourism to Hungary, whose economy is burdened with a hard currency debt of about $19 billion — the highest per capita indebtedness in Europe.

Last year, about 30,000 Israelis, mainly of Hungarian origin, visited Hungary. El Al and Malev Airlines, the Hungarian carrier, have agreed to inaugurate direct airline service.

Banyasz also said that ties with Israel would enable Hungarian state and private enterprises to set up "more joint ventures" with their Israeli counterparts.

He did not deny that Hungary's relations with Israel, such as they are, would enhance its image in the U.S.

According to some observers, Hungary's real interest in warming its relationship with Israel apparently stems from its desire to raise capital in international financial markets and to boost trade. The new Hungarian Communist leader, Karoly Grosz, has emphasized his determination to reform the stagnant economy to achieve greater reliance on market forces and links to the West.

Banyasz said that possible adverse Arab reaction would have no bearing on Hungary's decision to normalize relations with Israel.

Last September, following Hungary's disclosure of its intention to create an interest section in Tel Aviv, Algeria cancelled a planned visit by the Hungarian president, Karoly Nemeth.

"Once we decide upon full diplomatic relations (with Israel), we will not count how much it will cost Hungary," Banyasz declared.

"A small country like Hungary would not like to lose friends, trading partners," he added.

Banyasz denied reports that his government had played down visits to Budapest by Foreign Minister Shimon Peres in May and Yitzhak Shamir in September, the first time an Israeli Prime Minister had been invited to a communist nation that broke relations in 1967.

Hungary announced Peres' visit only after he had left, saying he had "stopped" in Hungary on his way to a conference in Spain. Shamir's trip was described as "private."

"This term 'private' was not the Hungarian side's idea," he said, explaining that their respective visits had been initiated by both governments. "It was high time they took place."

Asked if Hungary had erred in cutting relations with Israel in 1967, Banyasz said: "What happened, happened. If we had faced a situation like this today, our response wouldn't have been the same. We've learned our lessons. Everybody has to learn lessons. It is now a question for historians. They should judge certain steps that were taken by us. As a diplomat, I don't believe you can solve any problem by breaking off relations with another country."

He was asked if Hungary wishes to emulate Romania and play a mediating role in Middle East diplomacy. "A small country like Hungary can't have a big voice in a complicated international issue like the Middle East. But if someone were to ask Hungary to do this or that, we would be prepared to do so."

Hungary, he pointed out, believes that the Arab-Israeli dispute should be resolved through United Nations resolution 242. "It's a good basis for a settlement." Banyasz suggested that only through an international peace conference could there be a "peaceful and just solution" of the Middle East conflict.

The permanent members of the UN Security Council, as well as the parties to the dispute, should take part in such a conference, he said.

Banyasz claimed that the PLO should not be excluded — "those people in the PLO who really mean to live in peace with Israel."

"Israel has the right to safe, guaranteed borders — the only acceptable basis for a solution," he noted.

Reszo Banyasz

Turning to the Hungarian Jewish community, the largest in Eastern Europe, Banyasz said that Jewish Hungarians have "never had difficulties" when they have expressed a desire to immigrate to Israel. Speculating that Hungarian Jews had no desire to settle in Israel, he described the 90,000-strong Jewish community as "influential, powerful," with a rich network of communal institutions.

Banyasz said he had spoken to the chairman of the Hungarian Jewish community and had been informed of the resurgence of interest among younger Jews of their heritage — "a good sign."

Speaking in general terms about the Jewish community, he noted: "In our history, it has always played an important role and added special color to our cultural and economic development. And we know of the great losses the Jewish community suffered during the war. In my own town, Szombathely, many Jews lost their lives."

Banyasz said he was pleased by the recent formation of the Center for Jewish Studies within the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

And he disclosed that tens of millions of dollars are currently being spent to renovate the Dohyani synagogue in Budapest, the biggest in Europe.

He said that anti-semitism is "definitely" not a problem in contemporary Hungary.

Asked if Hungary has queried the Soviet Union on the fate of Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who disappeared in a Russian military zone in Budapest after saving thousands of Hungarian Jews during the Holocaust, Banyasz said: "I'm quite well informed of the case of Wallenberg. I started my diplomatic career in Stockholm in 1962, and I know the Wallenberg family there.

"We did our best to find out what happened. I do believe that the Soviets tried to give the best answer, but probably they weren't in a position to find out what happened in that period in Hungary, when thousands vanished without a trace.

"He was no doubt a great man. He did beautiful things. We must keep up his name and memory, and that's why a street (in Budapest) is named after him and why a statue in his honor was erected.

"Most probably, no one will ever know what happened to him."

Tissue transplant furor surprises researcher

By
DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

Does using fetal brain tissue to treat Parkinson's disease mean you approve of abortion, any more than transplanting the organs of a murder victim would mean you are sanctioning homicide?

In a nutshell, that's the question put forward by Dalhousie University physiology professor Alan Fine, who spurred controversy when he announced plans for the first Canadian transplant of fetal brain cells into the brains of Parkinson's victims.

Speaking on the procedure at the annual I. C. Pollack Weizmann Memorial Lecture at McGill University organized by the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute's Montreal branch, Fine admitted frankly that he was caught off guard by the clamor that followed.

In fact, he says, "I seriously misjudged it." The Toronto Globe and Mail picked up the story nationally and anti-abortion forces swung into motion. The issue came up in the House of Commons and Health Minister Jake Epp said the ethical ramifications would be studied by the Medical Research Council.

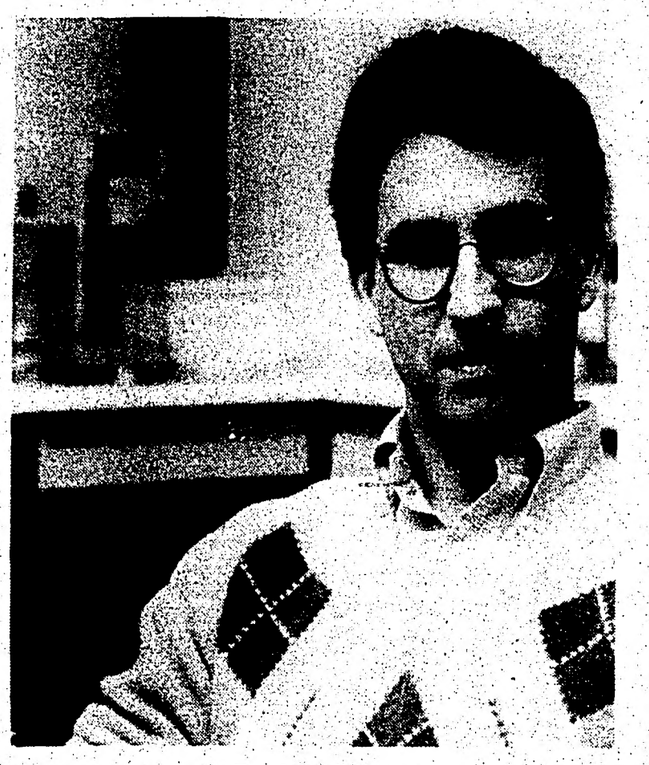
The ethical review committee at Dalhousie's teaching hospital, Victoria General, where the procedure would take place, is also reviewing the ethical issues involved.

For the moment, Fine's plans to stage the first Canadian clinical trial on humans using fetal neural cells are on hold.

This comes as a disappointment. Fine feels that many thousands of Parkinson's sufferers may pay the price in the wake of a debate charged with passion instead of reason.

Fine's view is that as long as abortion is still legal, there should be no qualms about exploiting material that otherwise would be "flushed away."

His biggest disappointment has been that the procedure has deteriorated to a debate about abortion — a procedure Fine did not say he supports. He is willing to go along with any decision society ultimately reaches on abortion, but until then fetuses that would otherwise be discarded might have the potential to alleviate great suffering, he said.



Prof. Alan Fine

Fine seemed stung by the level of anger levelled at his research, and the implication that research has ignored the ethical considerations of using human fetal cells.

Some abortion foes have even gone so far as to draw an analogy between his research and the tactics used by Nazi doctors who experimented on fetuses.

But Fine says he thought long and hard about going ahead with the research, noting that his first university degree was in philosophy which focuses on ethics.

"The foremost thing on my mind was that here is a procedure that held promise. It was clearly right to pursue it. Had I thought it immoral I would have stopped."

Fine fully agrees that science cannot conduct research in an ethical vacuum. But "a proper ethical discussion should be well-informed and not based on wrong information."

Fine, who is a Fellow at the Weizmann Institute in Israel, believes that the procedure holds great promise for Parkinson's victims, whose brains stop producing the chemical dopamine which robs the body of motor muscular control.

So far, the procedure using fetal tissue has been tried in England, Sweden and Mexico with inconclusive results. Fine believes his technique would be the most refined to date, using fetal cells 6 to 8 weeks old.

Such tissue is not rejected by the body and the neural cells would continue to reproduce, it is believed.

Fine stressed that only fetuses from "elective" abortions should be used.

He is against the idea of women becoming impregnated to save a relative or of cultivating embryos "in-vitro" in the lab.

"I'm not in favor of creating life in order to destroy it."

Hope is also held out for victims of Alzheimer's disease and Huntington's Chorea using the procedure, Fine stated.

His main desire is that the ethical debate proceed along logical lines, with society being the final arbiter on the issue.

Fine is willing to abide by society's final say. He only hopes the decision is based upon ethical considerations, and not political lobbying.

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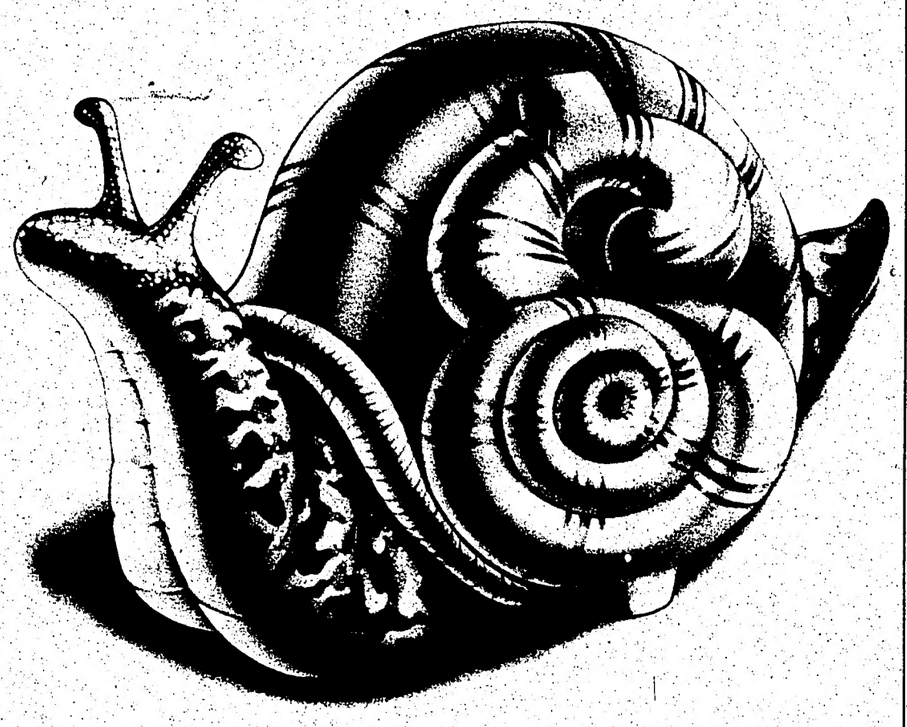

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Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: Do the Jews of Israel have a strong commitment to their religion?

If you read The Jerusalem Post, you will find it giving you a message that the Jews of Israel are not interested in our holy faith. It affirms this doctrine by pointing out that the religious parties are not the dominant force in Israeli politics. From this, the paper draws its own conclusions.

Rabbi Burak

Using the same kind of reasoning, it ought to conclude that Italy is not a Catholic country. After all, Italy has the largest Communist party outside of Soviet Russia. So, what is the Pope doing there? The answer is that 90% of the Italians are Catholic. The people can go to Mass on Sunday, and vote Communist on Monday.

The same is true, in its own way, in Israel. Deeply religious people may vote for the party that controls the jobs. Some, may even vote for the party that has more experience governing. Some, may hesitate to turn over the safety of the country to pious rabbis who may debate, when enemy planes approach on the Sabbath, where the air force should attack the intruders on Shabbas.

The religious group is far from negligible. For many years, the Mizrachi was the third largest party in the country. Had the Agudath Israel been able to join hands with Mizrachi, in the interests of Torah Judaism, the religious party might well have reached the top. Today, each of the religious parties has been divided into small fragments.

I have just returned from a 4-week visit to Israel, in which I observed how the people kept the penitential period, Yom Kippur, and Succoth. My congregation, Beth Jacob V'Anshe Drildz, realizing that my heart yearned to be in Israel for Yom Kippur, allowed me to do that. That tells you what nice people they are.

Eloquent silence

How can I describe to you what Yom Kippur is like in Tel Aviv — and please remember that Tel Aviv is the commercial centre of Israel. The observance there is so different from what is seen in the U.S. and Canada. Several hours before Kol Nidre, all traffic disappeared from the streets.

The lumbering lorries ceased to roll. A quiet descended upon the city. The roads became deserted. No vehicles moved; and then the children took over the roads with their bicycles and tricycles, and mothers watched with delight as the roads belonged to their children.

After that, the men started walking to shul on the road, when the sidewalks became too full. Some of the men wore their white kittels. Others had a tallis over the kittel. All stores were closed. The silence was eloquent, as a nation communed with its soul. Some remembered the Yom Kippur of 1973, and the telltale sign of trouble, when the cars moved on that Day of Days to the front.

Succoth was different. So many people built succahs. Women and children built succahs. Some families built two succahs: one on the ground level for dining, and another on the roof in which to sleep. Wherever you went, you could buy trimmings, ornaments, and tapestries for the succah.

Many businesses were closed on Chol ha-Mo'ed. The sign on the door said OPEN, but inside the store no one was to be seen, and the door was locked. You looked again at the sign, and then you read the message under the word OPEN: "after Simchat Torah."

Some would like to introduce our American aberrations into the religious life of Israel, to have motor vehicles drive up to shul on Yom Kippur. Don't do that. Don't spoil that great day.

Learn from Israel how Yom Kippur is observed.

Terrorist targets in South Lebanon

Israel hits back after car-bombing

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Two days after a car-bomb attack killed seven Israeli soldiers, Israel's air force jets attacked terrorist targets in Lebanon, including a Hezbollah base in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley.

An Israel Defence Force spokesman said last week that all planes returned safely to base after accurate hits on their targets.

The targets were in the areas of Sidon, and of Mashhara and Aluweza in the Bekaa Valley to the east. Some time later, targets were also attacked in the Maidoun area of the Bekaa Valley.

From the explosions which followed the Sidon region raid, it appeared that an ammunition dump had been hit and blown up.

Reports from Beirut said that units of the Syrian army had been put on maximum alert.

Israel Radio, quoting a spokesman for the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon, said that IDF Cobra helicopters had fired some 20 rockets at terrorist concentrations near Maidoun, and an F-15 had later fired about 10 rockets at targets near Aluweza.

UN officers said several score of terrorists were based in the target areas and were seen fleeing in all directions.

After the attacking aircraft had disappeared, the terrorists returned and fired anti-aircraft missiles into the empty skies.

Reports from Beirut said the Israeli planes and helicopters had carried out seven sorties over their targets in a 1-hour period.

Hezbollah sources admitted that they had suffered 24 casualties out of a reported 36 casualties in the raids.

The Iranian-backed Hezbollah movement claimed credit for the car-bomb attack, and warned Israel that any retaliatory operation would endanger Israeli prisoners and other hostages they hold.

The United States also reportedly asked Israel not to retaliate against the Hezbollah, out of concern for the American hostages.

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The Israeli victims, most of them commissioned and non-commissioned officers, were identified as Maj. Ilan Tal-Taussig of Rosh Pina; Capt. Ilan Ben-Chaim of Beersheba; Capt. Ron Werner of Haifa; Sgt.-Maj. Maurice Dehan of Haifa; Staff Sgt. Shalom Ben-Ami of Acre; Cpl. Saguy Blau of Ramat Yishai; and Pvt. Yaacov Ben-Shaanan of Holon.

Earlier, Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin blamed the disaster on the reign of chaos in Lebanon.

"But the fact that there is no law and no judge there, no governor and no government, does not give immunity either to Lebanon or to the Hezbollah madmen," Rabin said.

Premier Yitzhak Shamir promised that "Israel's sure and just hand will catch the murderers, each and every one.

"We will liquidate the murder organizations and will continue to safeguard, with all our might, the security of Israel and its citizens."

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said: "The Lebanese insanity and its murderous ways have hit our soldiers this time. We shall not rest until we find the perpetrators and bring them to punishment."

Meanwhile, security services are trying to determine how the explosive-laden car and its driver managed to enter the security zone and pass through military checkpoints set up by the IDF and the Israel-backed South Lebanon Army.

The consensus so far seems to be that the explosives were picked up at one or more villages in southern Lebanon controlled by Hezbollah.

Claim JNF misleads

Gush Emunim backers sue

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — Four American supporters of Gush Emunim have filed a class action suit in New York against the Jewish National Fund of America. They claim that it had deliberately misled them and other contributors about the funding of projects across the Green Line, and they demand that the JNF refund their contributions made since 1967.

The four are also seeking an injunction against the JNF-America to force it to stop what they call its "fraudulent and misleading" fund raising policy, and to compel it to "allocate a fair and equal amount of funds" to projects across the Green Line.

The Green Line marks Israel's pre-1967 border with the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Gush Emunim is a militant advocate of Jewish settlement in all lands occupied in 1967.

The outcome of their suit may have implications for funds raised for Israel through the United Jewish Appeal, which has also refrained from supporting settlement activity in the territories occupied since 1967.

In a complaint filed in the New York State Supreme Court, the four men claim that the JNF-America published fund raising materials which created the misleading impression that contributions are used for projects "throughout Israel," including areas in the occupied territories.

They cited a map used in JNF promotional materials which bears the slogan, "JNF projects cover the map of Israel." The slogan is printed across the width of the map, with no distinction made between the occupied territories and the areas within Israel proper.

When they asked the JNF about projects in the territories, however, they were told by the JNF officials that tax-exempt contributions cannot be used to fund projects across the Green Line. JNF officials said that regulations of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) governing tax-exempt philanthropic funds prevent it from spending money in the territories.

Earlier this year, however, the plaintiffs were informed by U.S. government officials, including Under Secretary of State Richard Murphy, that no such IRS prohibition exists. Murphy, however, reiterated to them the American government's opposition to Israeli settlement activities across the Green Line.

In their complaint, the men also accuse the JNF-America of misleading donors by citing a non-existent IRS regulation.

The world chairman of the JNF, Moshe Rivlin, told The Jerusalem Post that "we are not misleading anybody. But if we do what these people want, and use their contributions for work across the Green Line, then someone in Washington will say that what we are doing is political, and this will threaten our tax-exempt status."

He said that "all contributions from abroad, from whatever country, are spent within the Green Line. The [forestation and land-clearing] work done by JNF in the territories is funded by the government. We will follow the same policy in this respect as the United Jewish Appeal and the Jewish Agency."

BB: Let refugee claimants work

TORONTO — B'nai B'rith Canada has urged that work permits be issued to refugee claimaints who are awaiting hearings by the federal refugee division, says a BB Canada news release.

Immigration Minister Barbara McDougall has been asked to include in federal regulations a provision giving refugee claimants the right to obtain work permits.

The request was recently issued by Ralph Snow, chairman of BB's Institute for International Affairs, and Ellen Kachuck, national director.

"As Canadians, we recognize that the right to work is essential to the inherent dignity of the human being," Snow said in a statement.

"We believe that a regulation permitting claimants to work would serve an important humanitarian function and would alleviate some of the suffering of those awaiting their hearing."

Snow said he's confident such a measure would relieve various provincial welfare systems of the need to assist refugee claimants.

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Election Update

St. Paul's MP says free trade may reduce anti-semitism

McDougall seeks second term in swing riding

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
Free trade between Canada and the U.S. may not only result in an improved economic climate for business; it may also serve to reduce tensions between ethnic groups and mainstream society, says Barbara McDougall, Conservative MP for St. Paul's.

"There is a relationship between prosperity and human rights questions when talking about racism and anti-semitism," McDougall told The CJN. "The roots of that attitude are usually found in an irrational fear of job loss and lack of income. In an economy that is prosperous you find people are often less concerned about being threatened by others. When people are less threatened they usually are more responsive to people around them in human rights terms."

McDougall was first elected in the 1984 Tory landslide and immediately appointed as minister of state for finance. She also served as minister of state for privatization, minister responsible for women's issues and minister responsible for regulatory affairs before being named minister of employment and immigration.

Now with four years of experience behind her, McDougall hopes to retain Toronto's second largest Jewish riding (Willowdale is the largest), but to do so she will have to do battle with NDP candidate Diane Bull, a policy analyst and researcher for Ontario NDP leader Bob Rae, and another popular MP, Liberal finance critic Aideen Nicholson, who was forced to seek a new riding after Trinity — which she held since 1974 — was eliminated in redistribution.

While McDougall has been a vocal supporter of the Jewish community during the past four years, other factors may affect whether Jewish voters choose to return the Conservative incumbent to Ottawa for a second term as the riding has a long history of electing a member of the party that has formed the government.

It was held by Conservative Ron Atkey in the 1972 and 1979 elections and by Liberal John Roberts in the 1974 and 1980 contests. This see-saw battle finally ended in 1984 when then political newcomer Barbara McDougall secured the riding for the Tory party by a margin of over 4,200 votes.

The riding these three women are contesting takes in over 15,000 Jews — accounting for 16% of the total voters. As a result of redistribution St. Paul's has grown in size and now takes in a larger area. It includes Forest Hill Village and part of Lawrence Park and is bounded by Winona Dr., Bridgman Ave./CP Rail tracks, Yonge St. and North York's southern boundary.

On the crucial issue of free trade, McDougall said a prominent Jewish businessman — who she described as fairly typical of the business community — approached her a few years back, telling her he would only expand his business in Canada if a free trade deal was in place. Otherwise, he would expand his business in the U.S., she said. McDougall claimed that smaller businesses will benefit by increased prosperity and new opportunities under the agreement.

Nicholson, though, said the term free trade is a misnomer, calling it instead a selective trade agreement. She said a lot remains to be negotiated, including what constitutes a subsidy. This she claimed may result in social programs being declared a subsidy.

Bull called the agreement a "disaster," which will not be good for either women or minorities.

Cheaper labor

She said that while it will have little impact on retail businesses, it will dramatically hurt manufacturing and service sectors as these businesses will find it more profitable to move to the U.S. which has a bigger market and cheaper labor pool.

"The textile industry will be severely affected as it employs a lot of immigrant and older women who won't have any opportunities to be reemployed," said Bull.

Both McDougall and Nicholson feel that Canada's relations with Israel have been pretty good over the past few years, with the Tory minister giving the Canadian Jewish community credit for this.

"I got a good response from government officials when I was in Israel and part of the reason is the Jewish community in Canada which is very highly regarded and has a visible presence in terms of funding and visitors."

While Canada has played "honest broker" in a number of tense situations around the world, McDougall said she would not recommend that it do so in dealing with current problems between Israelis and Palestinians unless invited to do so first.

Nicholson also stated that Canada should not get

Barbara McDougall

Diane Bull

Aideen Nicholson

involved helping resolve the territories' disputes unless first invited to do so. However, for Canada to be effective in this area, she said it must first have a balanced policy and play an honest broker role...something she feels the Conservatives have ignored.

"Canada under Liberal governments always had a balanced position with Israel," said Nicholson. "We believe Israel has the right to exist behind secure and recognizable borders. We also recognize the right of Palestinians to a homeland. However we want to see this negotiated between the parties involved."

Bull said Canada can exert some influence in the Middle East in solving this dispute, but that ultimately any agreement must be worked out between the parties involved. Toeing the party line, Bull said she recognizes Israel's right to exist, but that she also recognizes the right of some sort of Palestinian state.

When discussing Soviet Jewry, Bull said Canada must play a role in helping to increase emigration as it clearly is not satisfactory.

"It has to become a right," she stated. "You shouldn't get your exit visa because there has been a lot of political pressure and it's granted as a favor. It has got to become an accepted part of Soviet policy.

Bull said Canada should work on two fronts: to pressure the Soviet Union to allow Jews to emigrate and also to allow Soviet Jews to fully participate in that society without fear of persecution.

Nicholson said Liberals have always taken the position that human rights know no boundaries. In this case, she said that although Canada has to recognize the rights of an independent nation (Soviet Union) to make certain decisions for themselves, the Helsinki Agreement commits these countries to improve their human rights record. Overall, she said there has been some easing of restrictions to allow people to emigrate.

However it has not gone far enough, stressed McDougall, who has met with a number of Soviet Jewry activists over the years. She stated that more high profile Refuseniks have been allowed to leave while overall numbers have not increased as much.

She said Canada has to press for more Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union and can "bring to bear a strong moral suasion." She said that as well as welcoming Refuseniks into Canada, Canada could also play a role in helping settle these people in Israel.

While calling for continued pressure to aid Refuseniks, McDougall said Canada will probably have to wait and see what happens to the country's hate law, which was ruled unconstitutional in Alberta in the trial of schoolteacher James Keegstra.

If the Supreme Court were eventually to throw the law out, McDougall speculated that the government would probably have to introduce legislation that works.

"I don't think the country can afford not to have some form of legislation," she said. "There has to be some limit on freedom of speech."

Bull also called for strengthening of hate laws, saying that too often when the law is used to try someone, an event such as the Holocaust and not the lawbreaker, becomes the issue.

Nicholson, who supported the original hate law, said this was a difficult issue for a democratic society to come to terms with.

"I have been in meetings and heard the Western Guard and been disgusted by every word I've heard," Nicholson said. "Yet I thought that in a democracy they should be allowed to say their piece and perhaps it's best people listen to this and hear for themselves how awful it is."

Looking at the whole issue of revisionist history — which Nicholson termed obscene — she said the question is whether these people should be allowed to have their say and then be refuted or be barred from speaking by legislation.

While the veteran Liberal MP and NDP candidate attacked the Conservative government for moving slowly on proceeding with cases against war criminals living in Canada, by Justice Jules Deschenes in his report, McDougall said recommended that the entire judicial system moves slowly and credited her government for implementing the Deschenes commission after 40 years of government inaction. She said two cases are now being investigated and there will be more in the future.

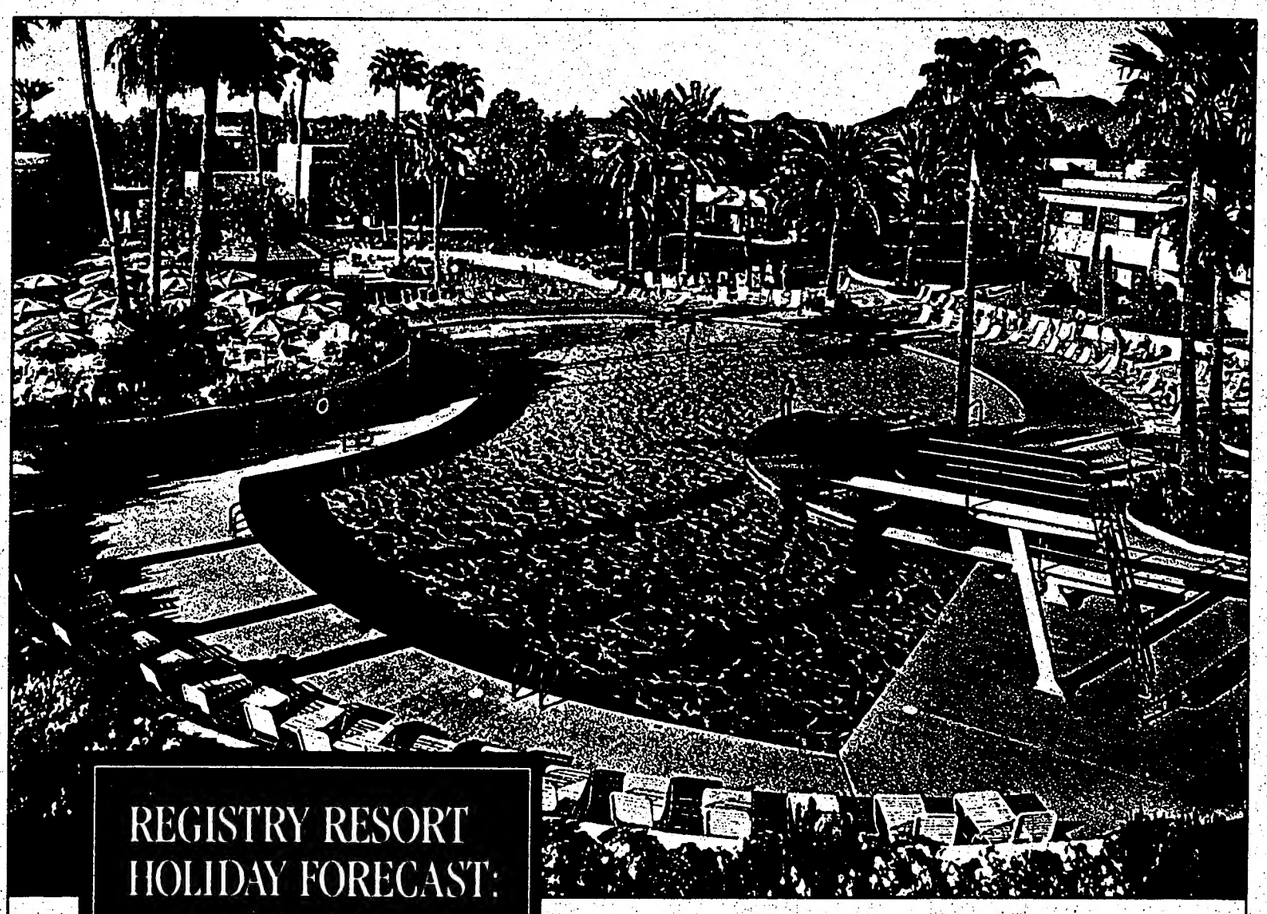
Bull said the problem here lies in whether to accept evidence from Eastern Bloc countries as they have different justice systems. When looking at this, she said each piece of evidence has to be weighed on its own merits.

In the area of affirmative action, Bull said the time has come for mandatory programs, claiming that the managerial labor force doesn't reflect the makeup of society. She said such programs should start at the government level and that a department should be created to enforce programs.

However, McDougall countered, saying that by making the rules too rigid it creates "a new kind of bureaucracy that never goes away."

Instead, she said her government has introduced affirmative action programs in government and let federally regulated companies develop their own employment equity plans which are monitored by the Canadian Human Rights Commision.

Nicholson doubts whether this program will work and, while favoring voluntary programs, said it will probably be necessary to move towards making them compulsory after a couple of years.



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Election Update

Candidates square off in Willowdale

Clark's Israel remarks become focus of debate

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —
The echoes of remarks last spring by External Affairs Minister Joe Clark criticizing Israel at a Canada-Israel Committee Conference were heard at an all-candidates federal election meeting in Willowdale recently.

It generated the most heat of the evening at the well-attended meeting in B'nai Torah Synagogue where about 200 people turned up to hear the three candidates.

The Willowdale race is a repeat of the battle in 1984 when both John Oostrom, the Progressive Conservative member, and former MP Jim Peterson, the Liberal, polled more than 22,000 votes each with Oostrom the winner by 362 votes. The lively meeting at B'nai Torah presages another wing-ding.

Peterson attacked Clark for "changing Canada's fundamental position vis a vis Israel," and criticized Oostrom for not speaking out on the issue. "In this riding, which has the second largest Jewish population of any riding in Canada, I haven't heard from your member." (Mount Royal riding in Montreal has the largest Jewish population).

Oostrom, said he had made his protest to Clark quietly. "I didn't go on TV," he said. "Some things can be done in private. I'm not that kind of a bombastic guy."

Peterson, who raised the Clark speech issue, said the external affairs minister had tried to switch the onus for the uprisings in the West Bank and Gaza to Israel. "Clark said Israel had failed to recognize Arab and Palestinian concerns — that is in effect what he said. I have not heard the public record corrected in any fundamental way by Joe Clark."

Though it is not up to Canada to dictate a settlement of the Israel-Arab conflict, Peterson said it is up to Canadians to insist upon direct negotiations between Israel and its Arab neighbors.

Oostrom said he agreed a peaceful solution is necessary in the Middle East and said Canada stands ready to send a peacekeeping force to Israel.

Anne Adelson, the NDP candidate, said her party's stand is on all fours with the position taken by the Labor Party in Israel. Through its close links with Labor Zionism, the NDP and before it, the CCF, had supported a homeland for Jews even before it became a fait accompli, she noted.

Peterson criticized the Mulroney government for launching only two actions against alleged war criminals in Canada following the Deschenes Commission report which identified 20 alleged criminals. He claims Oostrom was part of a parliamentary group which tried to stop the Commission from going to Russia to take evidence.

Adelson, the NDP candidate, said her party would set up a special section in the justice department to prosecute war criminals.

Peterson said the main issue of the election is the free trade deal. "I ask you, would you have given up so much to get so little?" he asked. "The best gift to your children would be a green card to work in the U.S."

Peterson referred to his record as chairman of the parliamentary committee of Soviet Jewry when he represented Willowdale, increasing its membership to 211 members of the house, making it the largest such committee in the world.

"Do you want to go back to big deficits and reckless spending?" Oostrom asked. "We performed. We promised on social issues and we delivered. Because of Mulroney, we are one of the big boys. The Liberals could never do that. If you have a party that can't keep its own finances in shape how can they be trusted to run the country?' The NDP has done a better job in opposition than the Liberals. The Liberals in the House are a rat pack that can't be controlled by Turner."

Willowdale candidates (from left) John Oostrom, Anne Adelson and Jim Peterson. [Graphic Artists photo]

The abortion issue brought out differences in the position of the three candidates. Adelson said the decision should be the choice of the woman with her doctor, that abortions should not be part of the Criminal Code and there should be more facilities for abortion.

I'm not prepared to make the desperate act of a woman a criminal act," Peterson said. "My role in a pluralistic society is not to dictate my personal view. I'm not prepared to go as far as Oostrom in making abortion a criminal act under all circumstances."

Oostrom countered that Peterson did not understand his position. He said a questionnaire survey of his constituents brought the largest response with 7,500 replies: with 50% favoring the rights of the unborn and 50% favoring free choice.

He said he favored giving $10,000 to an unwed mother to make it possible for her to bear a child. "I'm for pro-life and against abortion unless the mother's life is in danger. I have a view that coincides with 50% of my constituency. Is there anything wrong with that?"

Peterson said the Conservatives have a hidden tax agenda and their tax reform resulted in less income tax for people earning $117,000 a year, but most people had a tax increase in the past 4 years. The value added tax proposed by Finance Minister Michael Wilson will result in Canadian consumers paying out another $10 billion in taxes, he said.

The free trade proposal shows "a wanton disregard" for Canada's interests, Peterson continued, pointing out that Canada's trade is now 80% with the U.S. "We are already the most highly owned of any Western country," he said. "We are sacrificing key industries."

Oostrom said the free trade deal is necessary because the U.S. had set a limit of three years in which it would negotiate such agreements. Canadian trade with Europe and Japan has decreased, he said, and he described Europe and Japan as "unfair traders." Three countries, Canada, Israel and Mexico, took advantage of the free trade offer before the deadline, he said.

Howard Kurlandski chaired the meeting.

Liberal MP approves of principle

Bob Kaplan slams free trade deal

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —
The free trade treaty advocated by the Conservative Party pays too big a price for too little benefit, says Bob Kaplan, incumbent Liberal MP for the Toronto riding of York Centre.

Terming the issue the most important issue of the 1988 federal election campaign, Kaplan told the opening meeting of the Beth Sholom Brotherhood Breakfast Club that he and his party have nothing against the principle of free trade. "In fact, I like it."

But what we mean, he said, is lower tariffs on both sides, to make Canadian products more competitive and to give Canada easier access to foreign goods.

Under the agreement negotiated by the Conservative government, "there will never again be any policy where Canadian products can be preferred over those of the U.S.," Kaplan said.

The traditional Canadian approach of government encouragement of culture and certain industries will have to stop, he warned.

In 1968, he said, Pierre Juneau, newly appointed chairman of the Canadian Radio and Telecommunication Commission, ordered Canadian radio stations to play a certain percentage of Canadian music. "When it was found only 2 suitable records were around (one by Anne Murray and one by Gordon Lightfoot), the Canadian record industry developed."

Robert Kaplan

That doesn't necessarily mean, he added, that Canadian music is any better; just that it's different — and ours.

This would never happen under Mulroney's free trade pact, he predicted. "In the U.S., culture is purely business."

Provincial governments, beyond the 3 who already have it, will not be able to introduce government-owned automobile insurance as some are thinking of doing without asking permission from the U.S. and paying compensation to American auto insurance companies.

"If there is any value in the way we have done things in the past, solving problems and creating industry in our own way, ask yourself why are we doing this," Kaplan said referring to the free trade agreement.

Hawaii, he said, never planned to join the U.S. "They just planned to have free trade."

A member of the audience urged Kaplan and his colleagues to stress the danger to the social service system in Canada, particularly in the fields of health care delivery and old age pensions.

Kaplan admitted to being hurt by accusations that he had not accomplished anything about war criminals during his tenure as solicitor-general in the Trudeau government.

"Documents and statements, which could not be publicized while I was in Cabinet, are now being brought forward to show all that I did in encouraging the investigation and prosecution of war criminals, such as (Helmut) Rauca. For all their talk, the present government hasn't nailed anyone."

His efforts continued without the support of Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, who believed "the past shouldn't be reviewed," Kaplan said.

He also lamented the poor press and public perception of current Liberal leader John Turner. Kaplan said Turner has been an effective, extremely competent and innovative lawyer, MP and cabinet minister.

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Election Update

DIARY ...of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

On Oct. 28, 1492 — in what is now the Dominican Republic — Rodrigo de Xeres, a Jewish companion of Columbus, was the first westerner to smoke a cigar. Launched was a long Jewish association with tobacco.

Its pioneer merchants were headed by anusim (forcibly converted Jews of Spain and Portugal). They spread tobacco from tropical territories through Spain, Holland, and Germany. From a luxury savored by kings and nobles, it soon became the pleasure and comfort of the common man across Europe. In little over a century, Amsterdam became the centre of a thriving industry. Ten of the city's 30 largest tobacco importers were Jews. They also processed tobacco for snuff; the Encyclopedia Judaica points out that the profession of 14 out of 24 Amsterdam bridegrooms in a list of 1649-53 was tobacco dressing.

Jews leased the tobacco monopolies established in various German and Austrian duchies. Here, too, Sephardic Jews were prominent. Their long experience and love of product, passed down through families, allowed them to cope with the hazards of the tobacco trade: pilferage, war, deterioration, and fluctuating prices. Hamburg became the central European capital of the industry. As merchants and processors spread and settled, smaller cities and towns came once again to host the first Jewish communities since the Rhineland crusade massacres of the 12th century.

Jews were also prominent in Eastern Europe. The 18th century processors and peddlers of snuff became the leaders of the tobacco industry when cigars and cigarettes entered the mass market 100 years later. Industrialist and financier Leopold Kronenberg's 12 factories accounted for one-quarter of Poland's tobacco production in the mid-19th century. The Pale of Settlement, the crescent of territory to which the Russians restricted Eastern Europe's Jews after taking over Poland, was a centre of the industry. Of its 110 tobacco factories, 83 were owned by Jews. The livelihodd they and match factories provided saved thousands from starvation, in an area where Jews were otherwise severely restricted in occupation and trade.

A large Jewish factory in Grodno employed some 1,800 employees at the start of the 20th century. Jewish prominence and direction were shattered in 1923, when Poland nationalized the tobacco and liquor industries.

Dutch Jews founded England's cigar industry in the mid-19th century, when cigar making became the most common Jewish occupation in London's East End. Immigrants from Eastern Europe introduced cigarette making to the country. Until the early 20th century, Isadore Gluckstein, who opened his first tobacconist's shop in 1872, was the largest retail tobacconist in England.

Jews flourished in the trade of North America as well, where tobacco started as a form of legal tender. The snuff industry was nurtured by the grandee Sephardic families; their product was carried across the continent by immigrant Jewish peddlers. East European Jews streaming into the New World in the late 19th century found the making of cigars and cigarettes second only to the garment industry in providing employment. They rolled them in factories owned by more established Jews, initially of German or Dutch origin, and sold them as peddlers, on street corners, and in the ubiquitous cigar stores.

Jews have continued to play a prominent role in domestic U.S. cigar making and marketing.

The U.S. labor movement was founded in the 1870s among tobacco workers, led by cigar-chomping Samuel Gompers.

Canada's industry was a small patchwork until its expansion and consolidation by "tobacco king" Mortimer Davis well over half a century ago in Montreal. Here, tobacco and philanthropy went hand-in-hand. Davis founded the Mount Sinai Sanatorium in St. Agathe-des-Monts, and endowed a chair at Laval University. For these and other philanthropies, he was knighted by King George V.

In 1926, Davis, president of the Imperial Tobacco Company, presented the city's Jewish community with a large modern building on Mount Royale Ave. for the YM-YWHA. His support, posthumously through foundations, continues to benefit institutions in Canada and Israel.

As observed by visitors, one obvious thing linking Israelis from black-frocked chassidim to ultra-left kibbutzniks is the cigarette dangling from the corner of their mouths.

One of four candidates in booming Markham

Attewell seeks new political turf

By BELINDA SILBERMAN

Bill Attewell

Jag Bhaduria

John Gamble

Susan Krone

MARKHAM, Ont. — A major population boom in this area just north of Toronto during the past few years has resulted in a redistribution of boundaries to form the new riding of Markham.

And in the upcoming Nov. 21 federal elections, four key candidates are vying to represent the area's 145,387 residents, including 8,745 Jews.

Jacques Mackay, a communications officer for Elections Canada, says the riding's population has increased by more than 60% from 1981 when 90,594 people lived there.

An inverted L-shape, the new riding encompasses the growing towns of Markham, Unionville, Milliken Mills and Whitchurch-Stouffville. Markham riding was previously part of two other ridings, York North and York Peel.

All three major parties — Liberal, New Democratic and Progressive Conservative — are running candidates in the area, along with one independent contender.

Key local issues include free trade, postal service and environmental concerns.

Candidates are also concerned with issues specifically affecting the riding's Jewish community, which makes up 6% of the population.

Here are the candidates and their views on Jewish issues:

Bill Attewell. This 56-year-old Progressive Conservative candidate believes this election's key issue for Canadian Jews is Canada's continued support of Israel and that "through troubled or good times, we remain a strong ally."

Attewell, a businessman who has been MP for Don Valley East since 1984, says Canada should be ready to act in a "consulting capacity" in the current Middle East conflict.

"I think we can speak up on certain issues," says the father of four. For example, the Palestine Liberation Organization should not be a full partner in any negotiations unless it drastically changes its mandate of destroying Israel, and its leadership undergoes major change.

In its current form, the PLO should not be recognized by Canada, he says.

Attewell, chairman of the Canadian Parliamentary Group for Soviet Jewry, says he would like to see Canada continue to be involved in the issue of Soviet Jewish emigration.

This is an excellent time to focus worldwide attention on human rights because of the resolution of a number of international conflicts, including the ending of the Iran-Iraq war and the arms reduction between the USSR and United States, he says.

Jag Bhaduria. This 48-year-old management consultant sees survival of the State of Israel as Canadian Jews' key election issue.

The retention and continuation of the Jewish culture are also of concern, he says.

Bhaduria, a Liberal candidate, views Canada's relations with Israel as "lukewarm" and "not friendly." He would like relations to become "very cordial," "warm" and "understanding."

In the current Middle East conflict, Bhaduria would like the Canadian government to act as a friend to Israel, ensuring its existence and vigorously denouncing any act of terrorism against it.

Canada can also play a leadership role in making other countries understand Israel's plight, he says.

And as long as the PLO remains a terrorist organization, refusing to acknowledge the existence of Israel, Canada should not recognize it, he says.

Bhaduria calls the record of the Canadian government in helping Soviet Jews emigrate "absolutely disgraceful."

"They have not done enough. Even reasonable measures have not been adopted to help Soviet Jews leave the country."

John Gamble. Although Gamble was a Conservative MP for York North until 1984, he is running in this election as an independent.

The 54-year-old commercial tax lawyer sees this election's main issue as democracy.

"If you look at the way the country is run, MPs do not represent the people that elect them, they represent their parties," he says, vowing to represent his constituents if elected.

Same issues important

Gamble, a father of two, believes issues of importance to Canadian Jews should be the same as those of concern to every Canadian.

He also believes the Canadian government shouldn't categorize people into religious, ethnic or racial groups, although he acknowledges people may categorize themselves.

Historically, Jewish people have been concerned with freedom, the right to self-expression and have been at the forefront of remedial action.

Like everyone else, Jews are also concerned with high taxes, poor administration and the government's wasting of money.

Gamble sees Canada's relations with Israel as "very friendly" and hopes this will continue.

In the Middle East conflict, Gamble would like to see Canada act as a friend to the people in the region.

Canada must establish a set of uniform rules for dealing in international affairs, and these rules should be applied equally to all nations, not just Canada's friends, he says.

Canada should also adopt the role of "mediator" to try to bring the parties in the Middle East conflict together, says Gamble, who doesn't believe Canada should recognize any terrorist group, including the PLO.

Susan Krone. This 42-year-old adult education teacher and businesswoman believes Canadian Jews' concerns are the same as other minority groups. The key issue for all of them is human rights, says the NDP candidate.

Peacemaker role stressed

Krone, a mother of two, sees Canada's relationship with Israel as being "quite cordial" and "friendly."

But she thinks Canada could play a much more diplomatic role in bringing the two sides together in the Middle East conflict.

"Canada could be a lot more of a peacemaker because I think Canadians are identified as being peacemaking people. They're not identified as being aggressive or hostile."

Krone doesn't believe Canada should recognize the PLO or any terrorist group.

In the Soviet Jewish emigration issue, Krone believes Canada should enforce the Helsinki Accord to which both Canada and the USSR are signatories. Nations that signed the accord agreed to allow freedom of movement for their citizens.

"I think we should enforce the Helsinki Accord and apply pressure on the Soviets to respect and abide by it," Krone says.

She claims NDP leader Ed Broadbent was "quite instrumental" in helping win emigration permission for former Refusenik Natan Sharansky, who now lives with his wife and newborn daughter in a Jerusalem suburb.

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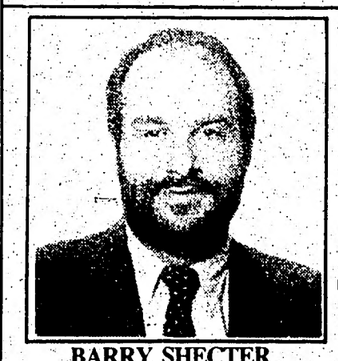

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Pathetic models

The Jewish people have always been a disputatious nation. The Talmud, that great repository of law, lore and custom, attests in its pages to this characteristic. Modern Jewish history, with its deep interior division and schisms, bears out this observation.

Unfortunately this tendency has been reinforced with special ferocity in the last several weeks. A leading spokesman for Conservative Judaism lashed out recently at the Orthodox establishment in Israel, accusing it of wanting to return to the ghetto.

Orthodox elements in Israel and North America have responded with special warnings about the illegitimacy of Reform and Conservative Judaism. Right-wing Orthodox circles have been saying equally unpleasant things about Centrist Orthodoxy.

Even here in Canada the forces of disharmony appear to be entering the fray. A mikvah in Toronto has become the focus of controversy because its governors are reluctant to permit non-Orthodox converts to use its facilities.

The libretto may change according to the particular religious movement but the music remains unchanged — a dissonant cacophony of sounds emphasizing the great rifts which cut across modern Jewish life.

It is perhaps an uncomfortable thought but the intensification of the argument among Jews on this continent may be an unwelcome export from Israel. The ideology which animates the bitter infighting among religious groups in Israel, a by-product of the political system, no doubt, has emigrated to our shores.

The shrill voices of intramural condemnation remind us of the story of the rabbi who passes on and appears before the Divine throne. He is asked to present a "d'var Torah," a religious homily. "I cannot give a d'var Torah," he says, "I only know how to refute."

Jews all over the religious map seem to be in the same position; they seem to know only how to refute. The question is whether they are capable of understanding, explaining and listening. Jews who express their devotion to their faith by maligning others serve as pathetic models for the Jewish masses.

The time has come for our religious spokesmen, as the chassidic tale goes, to become concerned about their neighbor's physical health and the condition of their own souls — and not vice versa.

"Vatican's" art

Ordinarily the opening of an exhibit of sacred Hebrew manuscripts should be an occasion for intellectual excitement and rejoicing.

After a year-long tour of several American cities, the Vatican's travelling exhibition of those rare objects has arrived in New York City. Its arrival, however, is attended by some rather disquieting thoughts.

A Miami-based organization called Committee For The Recovery Of Jewish Manuscripts has called attention, through the pages of The New York Times (Oct. 12), to the origins of the remarkable collection of illuminated scrolls that form the major part of the exhibition.

The group contests the Vatican's version that the manuscripts were acquired by Italian noblemen and donated to the church. It argues that the Hebrew materials, the products of centuries of Jewish scholarship and scribal art, were seized by the church as part of its war against Judaism.

The three major categories within the manuscript display, the Palatine, the Reginensis and the Neofiti — came into the Vatican's possession, says the Miami group, through the spoliation of Jewish communities in Heidelberg, Prague and other Jewish centres. The Neofiti manuscripts, were used, moreover by renegade Jews in fabricating "ammunition" to be used in forced debates with rabbis.

"The exquisite manuscripts, painstakingly penned by skilled Jewish scribes and artists, were produced generation after generation to be used for religious devotion and Jewish scholarship. The mint condition of most of them proves that they were snatched from their owners before their purpose could be fulfilled for any length of time," says the Miami group.

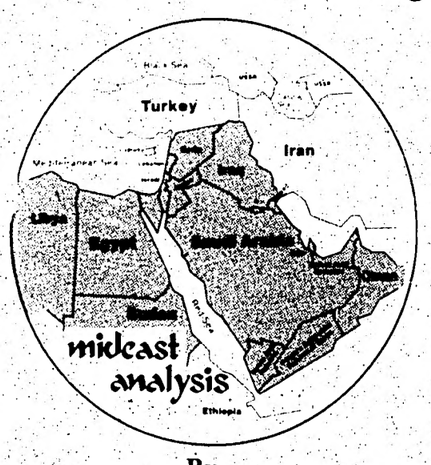
While the Jewish pedigree of the Vatican's manuscript exhibition appears impeccable, serious doubts have now been raised about the manner in which this precious mirror of Jewish art and piety was acquired by the Vatican.

Possession may be nine-tenths of the law in the legal traditions of the West but it is not by the standards of jurisprudence that the Vatican will be judged in this matter. Any enthusiasm at the prospect of viewing this manuscript collection has been dulled by the issue raised here.

It's time for the Vatican to speak clearly on this matter.

Labor Party leader Shimon Peres advocates territorial compromise. [IPPA photo]

No lack of choice for Israelis



By SHELDON KIRSHNER

The stark simplicity of choice that voters in Canada and the U.S. face in forthcoming elections may well leave some Israelis nodding their heads in wonder, envy or bemusement.

When they go to the polls on Nov. 1 in what may turn out to be Israel's most important general election in 40 years, they will be able to pick and choose from an assortment of 28 political parties.

The shades and permutations of these parties are nothing short of amazing. Orthodox Jews can cast their ballots for one of eight religious parties. Secular rightists can opt for Tzomet, Moledet or Tehiya. Moderate leftists may choose Mapam or the Citizens Rights Movement, while far leftists and Arabs casting protest votes can throw their support to Hadash, the Democratic Arab Party or the Progressive List for Peace.

Special interest parties have sprouted. Pensioners, led by a former Israeli consul-general in Toronto, Aba Gefen, appeals to elderly Israelis worried about the financial pinch of retirement. Aggrieved Yemenite Jews who feel their community hasn't gotten a fair break in Israeli society can vote for The United Yemenites, the ultimate special interest group.

Under Israel's system of proportional representation, any party winning 1% of the vote is eligible for a Knesset seat. And given the fractious nature of the Israeli voter, no one will be surprised if at least half the parties in the race manage to win the right to representation in parliament.

But when the dust finally settles, two major blocs — Labor and Likud — will no doubt share the majority of the seats. In the election four years ago, which produced a national unity government that acted more like a national disunity government, the Labor Alignment emerged with 44 seats, compared to 41 for Likud.

If surveys mean anything, neither Labor, Likud nor their respective potential allies will win enough seats in this election to form a government — a prospect that cannot thrill Foreign Minister Shimon Peres or Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

Although observers have detected a swing to the right since the Palestinian uprising in the territories, and although polls indicate that Israelis deplore the idea of a 2-headed government, no clear-cut verdict should be expected. (Since 1949, no single party has won an outright majority.)

As in the past, the outcome of the election hangs on the fluid swing vote — the fickle, undecided voter who usually accounts for between one-quarter and one-third of the electorate.

Everyone agrees that the disposition of the territories — the West Bank, the Gaza Strip and the Golan Heights — is the key issue. Certainly, the uprising — which still burns brightly — will have a major impact on the election, since it has focused unprecedented attention on the territories.

The territories, with their 1.5 million Arabs, trigger numbing philosophical and practical questions about Israel's ethnic composition, its political and moral complexion, its long-range security prospects, its relations with the Arab world, its foreign policy and its image in the world. Now, more than ever before, Israelis must decide what they want to do with these lands.

Fully cognizant of the territories' importance, Peres and Shamir are doing their utmost to use that issue to their advantage.

In his opening campaign shot, Peres vowed "to terminate Israeli rule" over the Arabs of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. Attacking Likud as "the annexationist coalition," Peres declared: "We shall rid ourselves of Gaza; we shall rid ourselves of areas densely populated by Arabs."

In accordance with the 1968 Allon Plan, formulated by the late Yigal Allon, Peres favors a withdrawal that would leave Israel controlling approximately one third of the West Bank, particularly its strategic mountain ridges and a strip along the Jordan River.

Peres claims that Israel cannot afford to build new settlements, but he's ambiguous about their fate should a peace settlement be signed.

With King Hussein's decision to sever legal and administrative links with the West Bank, Peres' much-vaunted Jordanian option has become passe. Peres now claims he would negotiate with any Palestinian accepting Israel's right to exist behind secure borders. Yet he rejects PLO participation in future negotiations and the formation of a Palestinian state between Israel and the East Bank — preconceived positions that no credible Palestinian negotiator will accept.

Shamir and his associates are much more straightforward and simplistic, claiming that Israel must retain the territories, especially the West Bank, the biblical Land of Israel.

Shamir claims that a Labor victory will hasten Israel's retreat to the pre-1967 armistice lines. Benjamin Netanyahu, a leading Likud candidate and Israel's former ambassador to the United Nations, maintains that the choice facing Israelis is clear. In apocalyptic language, he said: "It's very simple. Are we going to be here or is the PLO? Is it going to be Yasser Arafat and George Habash, or (Jewish) settlers and the Israel Defence Force?" Eliyahu Ben Elissar, Israel's first envoy to Egypt, promises that Likud will build new settlements and expand existing ones.

In its efforts to belittle Labor, Likud campaigners have seized on the recent decision by an international panel to award Taba to Egypt. Taba, a 1.2 kilometre beachfront south of Eilat, had been a bone of contention between Israel and Egypt since Israel's 1982 withdrawal from the Sinai Peninsula.

To an extent, Likud is using the Taba affair to bolster its argument that if Labor was willing to take Taba to arbitration, it would not hesitate to "sell" the West Bank or the Golan Heights at an international peace conference.

Labor, by contrast, says that if Likud had not opposed compromise proposals, a more feasible solution could have been worked out by Israel and Egypt.

The territories notwithstanding, the main issues confronting Israelis are the economy and the place of religion in a modern society.

For all its paralysis in foreign policy, the national unity government restored some stability to the economy, which had suffered from rampant inflation. But anticipated economic growth has not materialized and the unions have grown restive. In this respect, neither Labor nor Likud offer sweeping solutions that would appreciably affect the status quo.

Religious extremism has flourished of late, particularly in Jerusalem, but neither party seems capable of defusing Israel's long-simmering *Kulturkampf*.

Likud, in a bid to garner support from the religious parties, has offered to modify the crucial Who is a Jew amendment. Nevertheless, Likud cannot hope to win the allegiance of but a small number of *dati* voters. Labor has voted against proposed changes to Who is a Jew. However, in an attempt to revive its old alliance with the National Religious Party, it has moderated its policy toward yeshiva students who avoid induction into the armed forces.

Both parties have added young, new faces to their roster, hoping to attract still more women and Sephardic voters. Labor, in particular, is eager to shed its image as a party of Ashkenazic elitism.

Despite these largely cosmetic changes, most Israelis have already made up their minds.

On Nov. 1, they will let everyone know officially.

Opinion

What's the truth about Kach?

Book changes writer's mind about Meir Kahane

By
JERRY BRODIE

"Jews are taking over the world."

"Jews kidnap Gentile children for making matzohs."

"Zionism is racism."

"Kahane is racist."

This type of disgusting anti-semitism is hard to refute quickly and easily because the lies are so enormous that they can't be answered in such simple and "believable" statements as the lies themselves. There are legitimate, honest and truthful replies to every anti-semitic lie but it usually takes countless pages of explanations, first to make and then to prove our points. Most people won't take the time to read or listen to the answers.

Who cares about the TRUTH? Our enemies know their propaganda is convincing because our necessarily tedious answers are easy to ignore. Our involved and lengthy explanations "don't sell" like the slick, gross, easy-to-believe lies. Sad, isn't it?

Well then, how about Rabbi Meir Kahane? What is the truth about him? Have his enemies lied so grossly about him that "normal" Jews like you and me won't even hear him out?

Like most "decent," "normal," "civilized" and "law-abiding" citizens, everything I have ever read or heard about Kahane angered and turned me against him. Nevertheless, to find the truth about him, I've just finished reading his book, *Uncomfortable Questions For Comfortable Jews*. I certainly changed my mind!

I'm convinced that Kahane has been treated unfairly by the Jewish media and "establishment," and now, most recently, by the Central Election Committee, which has banned Kahane and his Kach Party from the forthcoming Israeli elections alleging racism.

No one seems to have given Kahane a chance to answer the charges against him. Jews have even convinced the Canadian government that he's worse and more dangerous than Yasser Arafat and, therefore, he is not allowed to speak in Canada, although Arafat is welcome! If he were allowed to speak at Jewish forums and given fair journalistic interviews and analyses, he would soon be seen to be like the perpetual Jewish victims of malicious anti-semitism — falsely accused.

To be considered fairly, Kahane needs the courtesy of time. He needs time to be heard by his listeners and readers, just as Jews need time from anti-semites to refute their lies against us. If people would really hear our explanations that refute anti-semitic lies, we would be cleared of those lies. If we listened to Kahane's explanations, we would do the same for him.

I am not now, nor have I ever been a member of the Jewish Defence League, nor of Meir Kahane's Kach Party. In my blissful ignorance, I have unhesitatingly agreed with all the critical and vehement charges against him. His book, which is the only defence I've ever seen of him, has now absolutely reversed my feelings about Kahane and his objectives.

For example, he is accused of wanting to "get rid of" (as in "forcibly drive out") all Israeli Arabs to prevent them from overpowering us numerically and/or militarily. If you read his book, you'll learn that this is what he "really" says:

1. Any Arab can live/work in Israel with all the civil and legal rights and obligations of an Israeli citizen, except that he can't vote or hold elected public office. (The same applies to Americans living in Canada!)

2. Any Arab who refuses to live/work in Israel as a PEACEABLE visitor must leave Israel or be deported. (The same applies to any Canadian living in America!) If deported, the visitor will be fully compensated for his Israeli assets, not just tossed out and robbed of his belongings (the way most nations have, for centuries, been robbing and tossing out Jews! This is my remark, not Kahane's).

3. Anyone, including Arabs, who wants Israeli citizenship must qualify under Israeli citizenship laws, regardless of what these laws might be. (The same applies to anyone seeking citizenship in any other country in the world!) Israeli citizenship is open to Arabs and others, but they must first become Jewish and pledge allegiance to Israeli laws and to the preservation of Israel. Arabs are welcome as peaceful residents, workers or visitors, but Israeli citizenship in Israel is limited to Jews only, in the Jewish state.

Israeli Moslems and Communists are invited and allowed to speak at Jewish forums in North America, but not Kahane. This has deprived us of the information necessary to form honest opinions about him. At the same time, we lose our self-respect by listening to anti-Jewish and anti-Israeli propaganda from our enemies, who are allowed to speak to us inside our very own synagogues and temples!

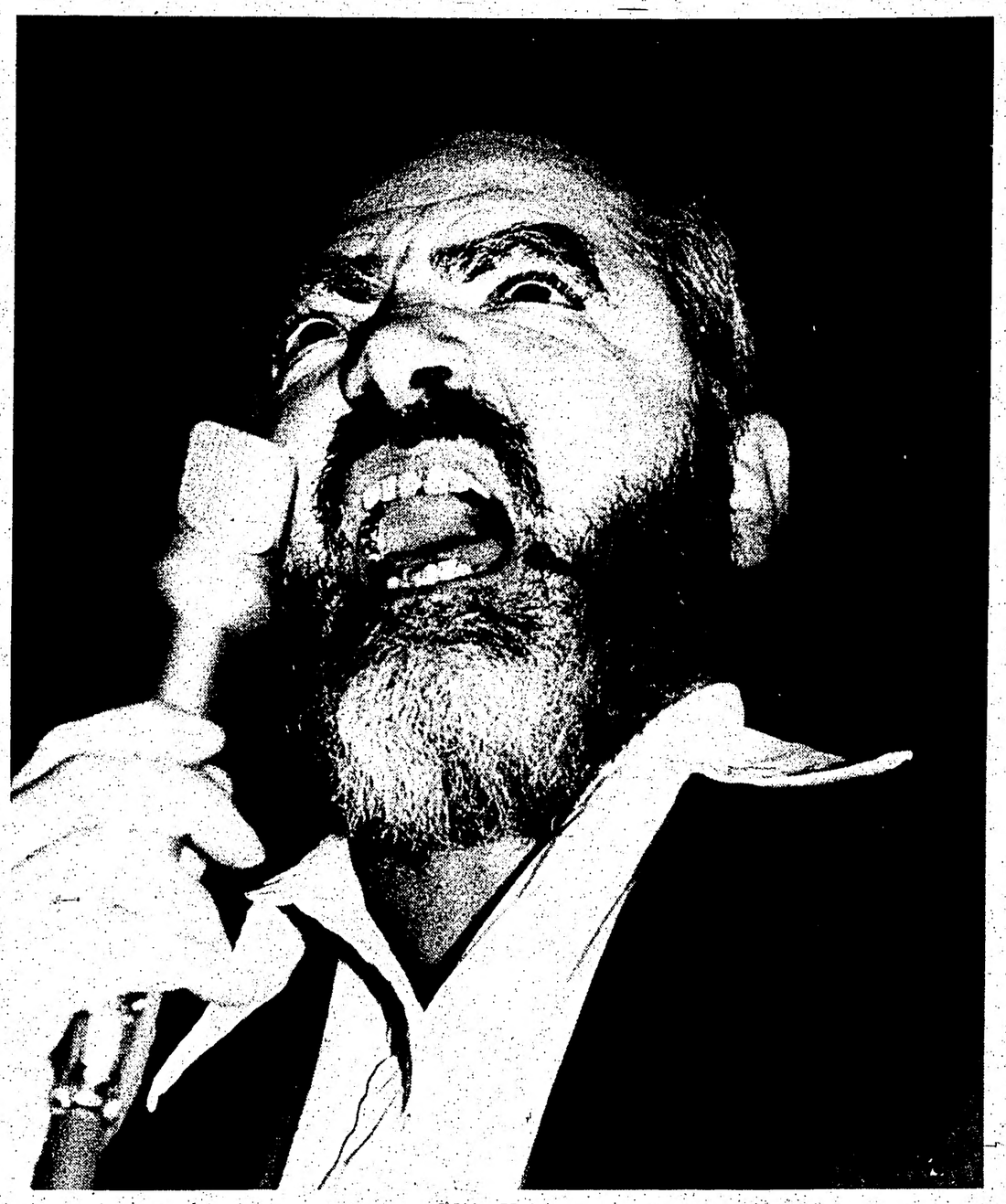
It is religiously impossible for Israeli Arabs, as Moslems, to allow themselves to live under Jewish authority, while Israeli Communists are opposed to Judaism itself, yet Arabs and Communists vote and are elected to the very Knesset they're both trying to destroy. Kahane, a practicing Orthodox Jew, a rabbi, and an elected member of the Knesset is, at the time of writing this article, being denied his right to stand for election to that same Knesset. Crazy, isn't it?

American Jewish opposition to Kahane is based on our own form of Jewish anti-semitism. Most North American Jews are not much interested in religion, and certainly not Orthodoxy, and so Kahane is seen as a threat and an enemy to the Jewish "American way of life." Israeli opposition to Kahane is strictly political. Kach has been on the verge of becoming Israel's third largest elected party and neither the political left nor right is willing to lose seats to him. Not permitting him to run deprives his quarter-of-a-million (and more) supporters of their first choice.

Meir Kahane has the soul of a faithful and dedicated Jew, but he is a hot-head in the way he presents his ideas. This is no reason for American Jews to refuse to let him speak, or for Israeli justice to prevent him from being elected. Many good leaders are hot-heads.

Kahane is a bitterly angry man because of the world's treatment of Jews but, even more so, because the present generation of Jews is unconcerned with the real dangers facing it. Kahane sees these dangers as continued anti-semitism, violence, war and, worst of all, our "national suicide" as a Jewish people due to our unconcern for the mushrooming assimilation among our people.

I have no connection with, or interest in the publisher of his book and I'm not trying to sell books, but I do feel very strongly that this book deserves the attention of every Jew. The book ($18 Canadian) can be ordered from: KACH, PO Box 425, Midwood Station, Brooklyn, NY 11230.



Meir Kahane

Study of immigrants in New York

Yordim living with contradictions

By
ARNOLD AGES

Although many articles in diverse languages have dealt with the phenomenon of "yordim" or Israeli emigrants (most of them highly judgmental), Moshe Shokeid's book, *Children of Circumstance: Israeli Emigrants In New York* (Cornell University Press) is the first systematic, scholarly treatment of the subject.

This is both its merit and defect. Because it is written primarily for a scholarly audience, Shokeid's analysis is burdened by a scholarly apparatus which includes the jargon of sociology and anthropology.

This becomes especially irksome in the sections where the author explores his subject within the context of theoretical concepts. Phrases such as "submerged ethnicity," "existential experience," "social characteristics," situational manifestations," social anomaly, and "societal definitions," abound in the book.

Aside from this occasionally discomforting language barrier, the Shokeid study is a valuable document because it reveals insights into the psychological drama that is played out in the lives of Israeli emigrants in New York.

It should be noted that while Shokeid's samplings reflect a New York City ambience, his observations are nonetheless relevant to any large group of Israeli emigrants living in a large North American city.

From 1982 to 1984 Prof. Shokeid, of Tel Aviv University, lived in the Queens section of New York City and used that sabbatical time to study the yordim with whom he came into contact. The resulting book is both a scientific treatise as well as a personal reconstruction of a 2-year encounter with fellow Israelis.

In the introduction to his text the author explores the attitudes which most Israelis harbor against yordim and sums it up with a phrase uttered by Yitzhak Rabin in 1976 when he referred to expatriate Israelis as "nefolet shel nemushot," — "the leftovers of weaklings." That ungracious characterization has not, however, impeded the flow of Israelis to North America.

The author chose New York as the object of his focus because demographic studies indicate that it is the foyer for the largest number of yordim in the United States — estimates range from 50,000 to 250,000. The borough of Queens was chosen because that is where the largest number of expatriate Israelis are to be found.

Much of what Shokeid writes is well known to Jews who live in metropolitan areas — that most Israelis, for example, insist they are living in the Diaspora only temporarily — until they amass sufficient funds to return.

Students of the American-Jewish scene are also aware that there is an undeniable tension which exists between Israelis living in the Diaspora and the organized Jewish community. The reasons are diverse but they stem from the perception that an Israeli presence in the Diaspora tends to repudiate the value system of the North American Jew.

This explains a prominent chapter in the Shokeid volume which deals with the difficulties experienced by Israelis in the Queens area in effecting close relationships with American Jews. The author reports several interviews with Israelis who describe the barriers they meet every time they try to make friends with American Jews: Their homes are sealed off, Shokeid was told.

In trying to understand the reluctance of American Jews to accept Israelis, Shokeid has recourse to a somewhat farfetched theory borrowed from Mary Douglas, the famous anthropologist. The Israelis constitute a societal anomaly and groups have different ways of dealing with anomalies. In certain African cultures those anomalies are simply removed. In America the Israeli anomaly is simply ignored.

The most interesting parts of Shokeid's book deal with what Israelis think of themselves and how they interact among themselves. For one thing, they tend to adopt a very low profile. Unlike other ethnic groups in New York who establish identifiable ghettos — the Koreans, Greeks and Chinese — the Israelis have gone out of their way to avoid obvious ethnic concentration.

According to Shokeid, the Israelis in Queens entertain very critical attitudes towards themselves. They find themselves in the bizarre situation of deploring their own act of yerida and express that contempt by actively dissociating themselves from things Israeli. They are aware they live under a stigma and this occasions disruptive moods in their personal lives.

There are, however, certain activities and events which draw the Israelis together. The visit of a prominent entertainer or speaker or the performance of an Israeli play or movie will attract those in search of an authentic Israeli experience. More often than not, reports Shokeid, they are disappointed.

The one thing that appears to bring the Israelis in Queens together are communal singing meetings. In what is probably the most interesting chapter of his book Shokeid describes and classifies the various Israeli songs which seem to have the effect of galvanizing members of a disparate community. Songs from the 1940s and 1950s are especially popular. The author provides a number of photographs of advertisements for these singing programs which are apparently a unifying force among the Israelis.

One of the surprising revelations in the Shokeid volume is that many Israelis in New York develop a sensitivity to Judaism for the first time. In Israel itself many were secular Jews who were hostile to the Orthodox religious establishment. In Queens they discover a new face to Judaism and find themselves more ready to identify with it.

In this context the Lubavitcher chassidim, notes the author, have made inroads within the Israeli community. The attempt to find secure roots, a process accelerated by the impersonal nature of American society, has moved many Israelis to commit themselves to a religious regimen they would have found inconceivable to follow back in Israel.

Shokeid rounds off his study with a series of 12 profiles of Israelis in Queens. In his well reasoned conclusion the author suggests that attrition may take its toll of the Israeli community in New York City. The children in the community are rapidly losing their Hebrew and the possibility exists that the Israelis in New York City, like previous immigrants such as the Germans, may be completely assimilated into American society.

Opinion

Granatstein wants to "get it right"

Canadian historian strives to reach literate public

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

"Piffle! That's silly."

J.L. (Jack) Granatstein, one of Canada's best-known historians, was being his usual blunt self.

Granatstein, a specialist in Canadian history and the author or co-author of 27 books, was reacting to an oft-heard question as to whether Canada's history is dull.

"We haven't had revolutions, great screaming disasters or famines. But we *have* had enough excitement in our history."

Why, then, is our history saddled with such a reputation?

"Part of the problem is that we were a colony or quasi-colony and that we wern't players in world politics," explained Granatstein, whose latest book, *The Collins Dictionary of Canadian History ($24.95)*, (which he co-wrote with David Bercuson, has just been published.)

Constitutional developments in this country, which have been "important but boring," also account for this perception. Granatstein, who teaches at York University, sympathizes. "When Canadian history was stuck in a constitutional framework it was pretty dreary."

There is yet another factor to consider, he said. Until recently, there was a failure of imagination on the part of teachers to convey the grandeur of Canada's story to their students.

"We're dealing in this country with great issues — French-English and U.S.-Canada relations and the bureaucracy," he said in an interview conducted at his modest townhouse in midtown Toronto. "I'm quite happy to work on these."

Canada, too, offers historians the opportunity to chart the settlement of a nation whose generally inhospitable climate has not invited huge numbers of immigrants, he pointed out.

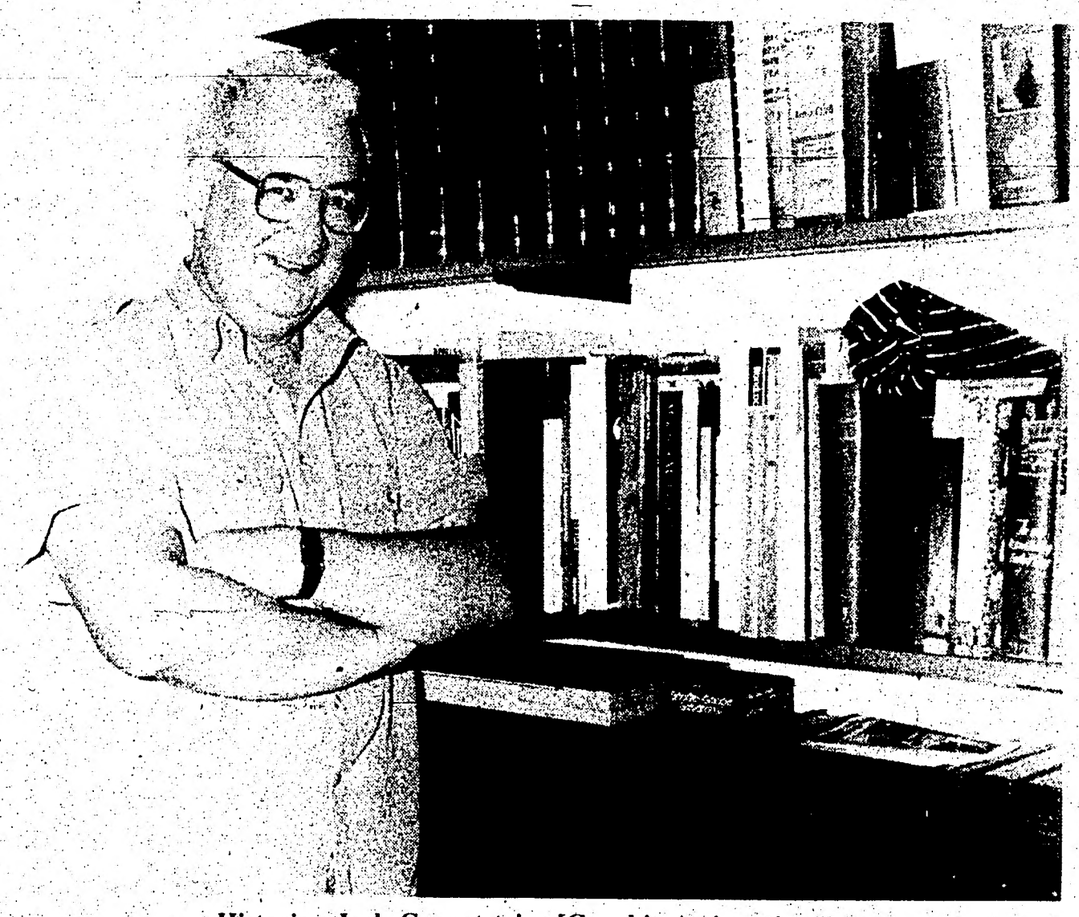
Granatstein, 49, specializes in Second World War and post-war political and military history. His most popular book, *Bloody Victory: Canadians and the D-Day Campaign 1944*, written in conjunction with old friend Desmond Morton, sold 15,000 copies.

A graduate of the Royal Military College, University of Toronto and Duke University, Granatstein has produced books such as *Canada's War: The Politics of the Mackenzie King Government, Broken Promises: A History of Conscription in Canada, A Man Of Influence: Norman Robertson and Canadian Statecraft* and *The Politics of Survival: The Conservative Party in Canada, 1939-1945*.

He and Bercuson, with whom he collaborated on *The Great Brain Robbery: Canada's Universities On The Road To Ruin*, wrote *The Collins Dictionary of Canadian History* over a two year period. "We did it between and around other things," he said.

Surprisingly, no such dictionary existed. "We thought there was a little niche we could fit into. Canadian history is still a fairly young field. It's an idea that just came to Bercuson and me, and Collins was interested." He chuckled. "Our book can't be used as a door stop, while (Mel Hurtig's)*The Canadian Encyclopedia* can."

Granatstein expects his dictionary to have a long shelf life in bookstores. Collins, having printed an edition of 15,000, is thinking of a second print run. In a recent review which appeared in The Globe and Mail, Peter Newman was laudatory, noting that it "was a good idea whose time had come," and saying that it documented the "richness" of Canadian history "with authority and tact."



Historian Jack Granatstein. [Graphic Artists photo]

Although he attracts more attention than the vast majority of academic historians, Granatstein still lags behind pop historians like Pierre Berton and Peter Newman in terms of sales and recognition. He accepts his limitations, such as they are. "I don't have that knack for popularization. I try to stuff everything in, while someone like Berton can leave out things. I think the purpose of history, the kind of history that I quite deliberately write, is to reach the literate public, the great general reader out there. I'm not jealous of Berton, nor do I feel ignored."

Despite their different styles, Granatstein is respectful of Berton. "He's a popularizer and he does it very well, though I didn't always think so. He does it with honesty and a certain scholarship, and he deserves praise." And what of Newman? "I'm not an admirer of his work." That is all he will say for the record. However, in a 1986 edition of Books in Canada, he reportedly said: "I don't have enormous regard for Peter Newman as a researcher or writer."

Granatstein attributes his prolificacy to discipline. "It's a function of being organized. I was in the army for 10 years and I had to learn to manage time: You coped or sank. I never had trouble organizing my time and material. My colleagues don't work the same way I do. I spend a lot of time lying around, reading novels, but when I work, I work."

After breakfasting, he turns on his computer and forces himself to fill the empty screen. "If you write 10 pages a day, you soon have a book. But that's hard work."

Writing comes easily to him. "The words flow, though I have my dry spells."

As a historian, Granatstein has never dealt with Jewish topics per se. Jewish history doesn't particularly interest him. "I'm not an ethnic historian. I'm interested in the broad sweep of Canadian issues. That's what I do."

The topic of anti-semitism hardly comes up in his research. However, in delving into the archives for *The Ottawa Men: The Civil Service Mandarins, 1935-1957*, Granatstein dealt with Louis Rasminsky, who would go on to become the governor of the Bank of Canada. "My investigation showed that Rasminsky was passed over for that job the first time because James Coyne was the better man, though some people didn't want a Jew in that position."

Born in western Toronto, Granatstein is the product of an immigrant family. Ben, his father, a Polish Jew, immigrated to Canada after World War I. Shirley, his mother, is Canadian-born.

Ben Granatstein ran a small tobacco shop all his life. "He never made any money to speak of." He has no recollections of his parents ever having urged him and his brother, David (a research engineer in Regina), to get a higher education. However, his mother encouraged her sons to read.

In high school, Granatstein was "a terrible student." Nevertheless, he got into the Royal Military College in Kingston. "I was always a rebellious Jewish boy, and RMC seemed like a good idea."

At RMC, he was virtually the only Jew in his class. "I had no problems as a Jew. I missed the church parade with amazing skill."

Granatstein set his sights on the infantry but ended up "running trucks" because (my) "medical profile had deteriorated." He said he left the army because it wouldn't finance his post-graduate studies.

Originally, he wanted to study political science. But since political science and economics are lumped together at the undergraduate university level, and since "economics was beyond me," he opted for history.

Granatstein thought of immersing himself in American history, with emphasis on Franklin Roosevelt's presidency. But when he was informed that more than 400 books had been written about Roosevelt, he changed his mind and went into Canadian history. "It just happened. I've no regrets about it. You won't be a world famous historian, but you will become world famous in Canada."

Now on sabbatical leave from York University, Granatstein is currently in the midst of writing three books — two picture books, with substantial text, to mark the 50th and 75th anniversaries of World War I and World War II. "These are for the general reader." The third book is about Pierre Trudeau's foreign and defence policy. To do the research, he went to China as well as the Soviet Union.

Granatstein, who considers himself an NDPer, doesn't especially admire Trudeau's foreign policy. "He was interested in it only in a sporadic way. His record is inconsistent and flighty."

Trudeau's policy toward the Middle East was "fairly consistent" until the accession to power in Israel of Menachem Begin. "Trudeau developed a marked distaste for Begin after he interfered in Canadian domestic politics with the Jerusalem embassy affair. Canadian policy under Trudeau was quite positive until 1979."

Looking farther ahead, Granatstein is thinking seriously of writing a book about Canadian spies. Once, with a friend, he wrote several chapters of a spy thriller cum-potboiler. He submitted them to a publisher, but the reaction was far from laudatory. "It was pronounced as a piece of trash, so I abandoned it."

He doesn't know how many copies of his books have been sold, but acknowledges that they've made him and his wife, Elaine (who heads the University of Tornto's engineering library), "more comfortable." The Granatsteins have one 25-year-old daughter, an educational consultant. Their only son was killed in a car accident three years ago.

Granatstein has every intention of writing still more books in the future, though he realizes that "nobody in this country writes to be rich." And how would he like to be remembered after he's left this vale of tears? "I hope people say his footnotes were correct — that I got it right. That's no mean achievement, because it's hard to get it right."

Attributes prolificacy to discipline

The dictionary, which covers the period from Confederation to the present, has more than 1,500 entries on topics ranging from politics and the law to arts and culture. It is cross-referenced, with illustrations, maps, tables and charts designed to facilitate research.

"It will make it relatively easy for people to get the facts, to fix dates and places. It's not intended to set out broad trends and sweeping forces."

Granatstein agrees that most Canadians are ignorant of their history, but hastens to add that the same is true of other nationalities.

Israeli road accidents take terrible toll

Please Diaspora, give us some advice

By
CARL ALPERT

JERUSALEM —

There is a debate going on now as to whether Jews overseas have the right to give advice to Israel and the Israel government, and especially whether they should go public in giving such advice.

Without venturing to discuss the particular issues, which involve our relations with the Arabs and with the so-called occupied territories, I should like to throw open for discussion another problem on which Israel is seriously in need of advice and guidance. Indeed, the crisis is so great, that all of us in this country should be shouting "gevalt" into microphones and megaphones, and hoping that someone can come forward and help us.

The problem is the prosaic matter of road and traffic accidents. Some 1.4 million Israelis are licenced to operate that lethal weapon, the motor vehicle, and they do so with a deadly professional skill which has resulted in more than 14,000 deaths in road accidents since the creation of the state, with close to half a million injured. The chances are that the crippled and the maimed Israelis whom you see here on crutches or in wheelchairs, are the victims of road accidents, rather than of military action.

Little Israel has a network of roads, some good and some not so good, crisscrossing the country, and fills these roads with no less than 850,000 vehicles. The number increases by 70,000 new cars every year, while only 20,000 are junked out. That means that Israel is second in the world only to Hong Kong in density of vehicles per kilometre of inter-urban road length.

I understand that there are complaints about the choking up of traffic on the Los Angeles Freeway, but how much better that condition is than having the same number of tightly packed cars racing each other and cutting in on one another at 90 kilometres per hour and more, all at the same time!

What is the cause of the accidents and the startling death and injury toll? No one has any single convincing answer. In a recent issue, The Israel Economist, a highly readable journal and source of much valuable information, presents a study of "Israel at the Crossroads." I'm sure the editors were not joking when they inferred that all of Israel's cars are intent on getting through that crossroads at the same time.

The number killed on the roads, passengers in cars or pedestrians, now runs between 350 and 500 per year — compared with only a bare handful of both soldiers and civilians killed by terrorist activity. Look at what a fuss is made about terrorism — and how little excitement is engendered by the much more costly toll of road accidents. Truly it can be said that all our Arab foes need do is to wait patiently, and eventually we Israelis will kill ourselves off on the roads.

What's to blame? The roads? The lack of police patrols? Mild punishment of offenders? Inadequate vehicle maintenance? The "macho" mentality of the drivers? Lack of an effective public relations campaign to stimulate public consciousness? Israel seems to have tried solutions to all these, but only piecemeal and in snatches, and without a real national will to conquer the problem. At least we are spared the evil of drunken driving which, while it exists, is far from being a dominant factor.

Even the traffic jams in the metropolitan areas exact their price. Considering wasted energy, lost manhours of labor, and excessive depreciation of vehicles, the cost of traffic tie-ups is estimated at about $170 million a year — a high price for little Israel.

Dr. Norman Berdichevsky, who did the study for The Israel Economist, concludes his paper: "The cost in human suffering and economic waste that result from the present situation is clearly unacceptable. The threat of chaos on our roads is an immediate one. We cannot afford to postpone dealing with it."

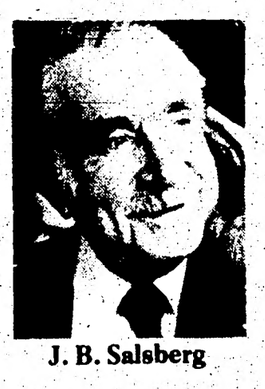
Everyone in Israel thinks that he has a solution, but relatively little is really being done. Help! Is there anyone out there who can give the Israelis some advice and knock sense into them on this issue?

Opinion

Pardon the worried look on my face, but...

By
J. B. SALSBERG

By nature I am a rational optimist. I was raised to believe that man was created in the image of the Creator. If we encountered individuals whose wickedness belied their claims of Divine attributes, we would say that they had fallen prey to the evil designs of Satan. That's what we wanted to believe, and the very wanting of such belief was an expression of man's eternal striving to reach the level of angels.



J. B. Salsberg

Naive? Yes, somewhat. Childish? Perhaps. But aren't children the closest resemblance of angels on this earth?

But, you will ask, what has all this to do with the worried look on my face for the past few weeks? It has a lot to do with it. Because, despite all the disturbing, painful experiences in my lifetime I have, nevertheless, retained much hope in the essential goodness and decency of human beings who, though less than angels, strive to higher and higher spheres.

I'm disturbed when the evidence is against that belief. And I'm especially disturbed when vindictive behavior flares up in our Jewish encampments. And when such occurrences take place at the highest levels of the religious, Orthodox and chassidic world of the "Holy city of Jerusalem" (and B'nei Brak) as well as in Williamsburg, in New York.

When such things do happen in the highest religious circles, as well as on the political scene, of the reborn Jewish state, then shock and fear for the future carve the signs of sadness on my face.

Let us focus on a few of such shocking and worrisome manifestations in Israel.

Recently the religious sector in Israel has been painfully lacerated by acrimonious disputes within the ranks of the Agudat Israel (non-Zionist but not anti-Israel) that has led to a split of that venerable movement into two hostile camps — to the placing of two competing lists of candidates in the current election and to shameful acts of vandalism on the home of the revered chassidic Gerer Rebbe in Jerusalem.

All and all it is a shameful performance. But, why this frenzy? Because one strong-willed and highly reputed religious scholar, Rabbi Shach, seems to be determined to resurrect the long-forgotten battles between the Mitnagdim, the militant opponents of chassidism, and the chassidic world that the Agudat Israel tried and largely succeeded in overcoming by finding common ground for both in its ranks.

Well, Rabbi Shach's pet hate is the worldwide Lubavitch stream of chassidism. And when Rabbi Shach hates he knows no bounds. He now brands Lubavitch as "avoideh zoreh," idolatry, that must be fought and exterminated. So, when the organ of the Agudat Israel, in Israel, carried some paid advertisements of Lubavitch, the wrathful Rabbi Shach condemned them and called on the venerable Gerer Rebbe, the head of his worldwide movement, to join him in his militant crusade against Lubavitch.

When he refused, Rabbi Shach split from the Aguda, set up a political movement of his own, placed an electoral slate of his own in competition with the Aguda and the war was on, not only against Lubavitch but, now, also against the Gerer Rebbe and his entire movement!

Followers of Shach raided the Gerer Rebbe's home in Jerusalem, and painted its outside walls with black paint and provocative slogans. The Gerer Rebbe's brother, the head of a prestigious yeshiva, appealed to all Gerer chassidim not to allow themselves to be provoked and to refrain from any violent action.

What next? Who knows? And Lubavitch wisely remains silent while diligently proceeding with its usual activities. . . .

Are you confused, my worthy readers? So are many other people. As for me I'm saddened by the bitter and remorseless confrontation. I feel like crying out, "shame, shame on the incendiaries that lit and that fan the flames of divisive fires in the community."

But, is the secular area, that contains the majority of Israelis, free of the sins that ravage the Orthodox political arena? Not by a long shot. While there are six separate religious lists of candidates in the present Israeli election, there are some 15 lists of candidates representing the non-religious, straight political parties that battle for the votes of the country's citizens. Plenty, eh?

Shimon Peres, the leader of the Labor Party, and the present foreign minister of Israel, was escorted by a mob of Kiryat Gat citizens who shouted: "Go home Peres, you are not wanted here." When he left an election meeting of Ashkelon longshoremen he was greeted by a waiting mob that pelted him with rotten tomatoes and with water that splashed on his face. . . .

Are the Labor Party militants not guilty of similar, unsavory actions? I cannot honestly claim that. But I must assume that political holliganism is a contagious desease. Credit must be given to David Levi, a leader of the Likud, who publicly appealed to his Likud followers to put an end to hooligan practices in this election campaign.

Well, my dear readers, I've said enough to explain why I'm worried, upset and, yes, saddened by some of the recent happenings in our own Jewish world. They are, to say the least, depressing.

Aren't we supposed to be a "light unto the nations?" Shouldn't we, at least, try to be that? Yes, we should.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 200 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and handwritten signature.

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ANGERED BY JEWISH FRICTIONS

I have become increasingly angered by the division I see in the Jewish community — not only in Toronto, but in Israel.

As a graduate student, I am doing my research on the Israeli war in Lebanon in 1982.

With all the damaging, anti-Israel sentiment that emerged from that war and that we are confronted with almost daily still, I have concluded that it is both foolish and unproductive that we spend so much time confronting each other on the issue of religion — the common thread we have shared against all adversity.

Do we not face enough challenges in our lives, simply by being Jewish, that we must challenge each other and create division in what is potentially our greatest strength — the bond of Judaism and the unity of the Jewish people?

Robin Bailey,
London, Ont.

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THEY SUPPORT PALESTINIAN STATE

As members of the Toronto chapter of New Jewish Agenda, we support the growing number of Israelis who favor the establishment of a Palestinian state.

Instead of refusing to recognize the PLO, Israel must negotiate with the PLO. Who *else* does one make peace with — if not with your enemy.

It is equally urgent that there be changes from the PLO and all Arab governments which have refused to recognize the State of Israel's right to exist.

Though such initiatives from *both* sides will not guarantee peace, they will establish a climate where violence ceases to be the sole medium of exchange.

Much has been risked for war; it is time for both sides to risk for peace with justice.

Ronnee Jaeger
(and four others)
Toronto

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ARAB TRANSFER IS "BARBARIC"

A few months ago, Israeli deputy minister of defence Michael Dekel, of the right-wing Likud party, proposed "transfer" of Arabs from occupied territories as a solution to Israel's problems (putting them on vans and transporting them from their homes).

His idea has not been rejected by any of the right-wing parties. Prime Minister Shamir reacted to Dekel's proposal by saying, "Everybody is entitled to his opinion."

It is our duty to oppose this inhumane, barbaric idea. As Jews after the Holocaust, we should know that no good can come of deportation of people from their homes.

As an Israeli, on sabbatical in Canada this year, I can tell you that Israel's future is endangered if change does not come. Shamir and his people take the uprising in the occupied territories as an opportunity to harden their stand, to oppose negotiations and thereby demoralize peace-loving Jews and Arabs as one.

Dr. Karl deVries
Haifa, Israel

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JB, FREIHEIT WAS RED!

Re J. B. Salsberg's Oct. 6 column, "What's the future of Forverts with $70 million?":

He makes an oblique reference to the Yiddish newspaper, Freiheit, calling it a "non-Communist newspaper."

Unless it is a misprint, this is most misleading. The Freiheit since its inception toed faithfully the Moscow-Communist line.

It approved the Arab pogroms of the 1920s; it approved the Stalin-Hitler pact of the 1930s.

Of course, if this remark of the Freiheit being a non-Communist paper is to be taken in the context of the prevailing Gorbachev glasnost, where even Stalin is considered not a true Communist, Salsberg might be right.

However, for us oldtimers not stricken as yet by "political-Alzheimer" symptoms, the Freiheit was a Communist paper and Stalin was a Communist.

Misha Allen
Toronto

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RABBI LINDER, NORTHERN "SAINT"

I wish to express my profound appreciation for the reference to me in your Sept. 8 editorial ("Fascinating Story").

May I point out that my mentor and guide in Timmins, Ont., was the late saintly Rabbi Wolfe Linder, who served the northern communities as teacher, shoichet, mohel, chazzan and spiritual leader.

He and his late wife, Hinde, had an open door for the wayfarer and the forlorn.

I am sure that the northerners who now reside in Toronto remember both of them with love, respect and reverence.

Rabbi David Monson
Toronto

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AUSSIE SEEKS CANUCK JEWS

I am writing to you as an Australian Jew (now 65) who was posted from Australia to Canada during World War II (as a 20-year-old).

I was sent there to complete my training as a wireless operator/air gunner under the Empire Air-Training Scheme.

I still remember with appreciation the warm hospitality I received from three Jewish families while I was at various Canadian training stations in 1943, before I left to serve with Britain's Royal Air Force in 1944.

Since I expect to revisit Canada with my wife in 1989, I hope that members of the following three families would be good enough to write to me at my address below:

1. The Switzer family — including their daughters Diana, Betty and "Butch" — who then lived on 12th Ave. W. in Calgary.

2. The Manolson family — including the two children Stephen and Esther — who lived on 12th St. W. in Calgary.

3. The Samuels family of Montreal, who included Mr. Samuels, a tailor by profession, his married daughter named Sybil, and his son, Hal.

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Reader deplores the mixed marriage of Kitty Dukakis.

DUKAKIS INTERMARRIAGE "TRAGIC"

Tragically, the failure of Kitty Dukakis to be a decent role model for young American Jews has often become whitewashed due to the fact that her husband may become President.

How ridiculous that we should feel any sense of pride that there will be a seder in the White House if Governor Dukakis wins the November election!

Why should we care that she is "true to her heritage" because she was photographed arriving at her Brookline synagogue on Yom Kippur?

The fact is that she is symbolic of the devastating epidemic of intermarriage which has reached staggering proportions among (North) American Jewry, prompting the remark by some concerned that intermarriage is the equivalent of "Hitler's posthumous victory."

If Kitty Dukakis ever becomes First Lady, the fact of her Judaism will be but a sad footnote in the history of American Jewry.

Lavi Soloway
Toronto

NO MONTREAL "WHITEWASH"

I appreciate Prof. Julian Bauer's commitment to Montreal's Jewish community. But I disagree with the claim in his Oct. 6 letter, headed "Deplores Montreal racism," that Jewish organizations here are attempting to "whitewash" anti-semitism.

Quite the contrary. We have been intensely and vigilantly involved in an attempt to respond to and eliminate anti-semitic sentiment in what we consider to be the most judicious and responsible manner possible.

Michael Crelinsten
Executive director
Quebec Region
Canadian Jewish Congress
Montreal

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QUESTIONS FRENCH IMMERSION

Hundreds of little Canadian children are registered for French immersion classes to receive French language concepts for the rest of their lives.

Young mothers and fathers would show great love for their children if they took the time to read research done on this subject and not listen too intently to the educational system in our country that is very French-oriented.

It is becoming common knowledge that early French immersion distorts good English grammar.

Isn't it better to be excellent in the English language, because it is foremost in learned and spoken languages in the world?

The French language is 13th on the scale of spoken languages.

Would you dare to limit the possibilities for your child's future?

Who are they going to converse with — each other — Quebec (who resents the English language) or France?

The rest of the world knows English!

Ruth Mallory
Barrie, Ont.

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CLARIFIES GERMANY'S RESTITUTION

Re Germany's restitution payments and Canada's supplementary old age pension, I'd like to make the following clarification:

I am aware of a number of cases where Canada's department of health and welfare did reduce the supplementary old age pension in view of monthly restriction payments made by the Federal Republic of Germany.

On recommendation made by Stanley Hartt, former deputy minister of finance, I have taken up this matter with Maureen Law, deputy minister of health and welfare.

Mrs. Law has informed me that her department applies the same definition to restriction payments as the department of national revenue and that, consequently, no reduction may be made for restitution payments.

Dr. Julius Pfeiffer
Montreal

World-National

Event held in Ottawa's National Arts Centre

Concert climaxes 40th anniversary celebrations

By DAVID LAZARUS

OTTAWA —

A glittering concert culminating with a formal candlelit dinner for 600 on the stage of the National Arts Centre opera hall climaxed Israel's 40th anniversary celebrations here.

Sponsoring organizations were the Jewish Community Council of Ottawa and Minto Construction Ltd. with the support of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation.

The crowning touch is scheduled to be the first performance by the National Arts Centre orchestra in Israel in the spring of 1990.

The appearance of famed Israeli violinist Itzhak Perlman at the NAC was just one of the incentives for attending the all Beethoven program under the baton of Jewish conductor Gabriel Chmura.

The others noted chairman Evelyn Greenberg, was that the $50,000 in proceeds would be set aside for the coffers of an international travel fund that will finance a tour by the NAC Orchestra of Europe and Israel in May, 1990.

Partial costs of the trip, estimated to be $120,000, would be paid for by the external affairs department. The orchestra would perform six times in Israel.

Greenberg declared the evening of wine, music and dining an unqualified success.

About 2,300 concert-goers filled the concert hall to capacity. The 600 dinner guests, which included External Affairs Minister Joe Clark and his wife Maureen McTeer and other members of his department, diplomats, the Jewish community personalities from the Canadian cultural scene, arts centre leadership, and more than 60 members of the CICF, dined on smoked salmon and smoked trout.

Twenty NAC Orchestra violinists welcomed the guests into the hall against a backdrop of starlight and blue and white ribbons.

During dinner, speakers exchanged greetings and hailed the development of continuing cultural links between Canada and Israel.

Canadian contralto Maureen Forrester, who was in Israel in July for the 50th anniversary of the Jerusalem Symphony, urged everyone to visit the Holy Land, which is "more beautiful than ever," she said.

She also praised Minto Construction for its support of the project and called the NAC Orchestra, a federal government agency, "Canada's cultural treasure . . . (its) jewel in the crown.

Ottawa Jewish Community Council president Stephen Victor and Israeli embassy charge d'affaires Gershon Zohar (substituting for Ambassador Israel Gur-Arieh) cited Israel's achievements and NAC chairman Robert Landry hailed the efforts of Ottawa's Greenberg families in putting together the event.

(Chairman Evelyn Greenberg is a professor of music at the University of Ottawa, a founder of the NAC Orchestra Association and founding chairman of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation's Ottawa chapter. Irving Greenberg, a cousin and the president of Minto Construction, donated $25,000 to the travel fund).

Greenberg herself said that a large turn out by members of external affairs reafirmed "another cultural link between Israel and Canada."

Greenberg later told the CJN that the concert was in fact the first time the strains of Hatikvah had sounded through the NAC hall.

She also reported that Clark and McTeer stayed on throughout the evening, not leaving until close to 1 a.m.

Perlman attended the reception following the concert, but could not stay for dinner.

Greenberg noted that the whole project was the result of a happy coincidence.

In November, 1986, NAC producer Joanne Morrow told Greenberg of the possibility of Perlman appearing at the NAC if corporate sponsorship could be found.

Acting as a liaison, Greenberg approached Minto Construction with JCC president Stephen Wolfe, who had wanted to stage a concert as the culminating event in Ottawa for Israel's 40th anniversary. A travel fund to finance the NAC orchestra trip to Israel using proceeds from the event was Greenberg's inspiration.

The whole thing "fell out of heaven," she said.

Greenberg also reserved words of praise for the Canada-Israel Cultural Fundation, which is supporting the project. The guest list included national chairman Lily Barr, Montreal president Carol Koffler, Toronto chairman Sam Bresler and past Montreal chairman Sara Reitman.

Other guests at the dinner included U.S. Ambassador Thomas and Mrs. Niles; West Germany Ambassador Wolfgang Behrends; Papal Nuncio Most Rev. Angelo Palmas; former ambassadors to Israel Joseph Stanford and Edward Lee; NAC director-general Yvon Desrochers and former director-general Donald MacSween; MP David and Mrs. Daubney; Canada-Israel Committee chairman Sidney Spivak and director Bob Willmot; and Cineplex Odeon president Garth Drabinsky.

External Affairs Minister Joe Clark (centre) chats with Ottawa Jewish Community Council president Stephen Victor at a reception preceding the Israel 40th anniversary concert. Looking on is Robert Landry, the National Arts Centre's chairman of the board. [Howard Kay photo]

The Jewish Quiz

QUESTIONS

1. Who authored the book *Land and Hope* (1960) describing Jewish settlement in Canada's prairies?
2. Who is described in *Who's Who of Canadian Jewish Women* (1983) as a prolific author of poetry, verse, dramas, novels and science fiction since 1955?
3. Which former MP from Vancouver wrote *Terror in the Name of God*, describing the Sons of Freedom, Doukhobors, the sect that came to the Canadian West from Russia?

Edmond Y. Lipsitz

ANSWERS:

1. Mother and daughter writing team, Clara Hoffer and F. H. Kahan.
2. Phyllis Gotlieb of Toronto.
3. Simma Holt

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These questions and answers came from the book *6400 Questions About Judaism and the Jewish People* by Edmond Y. Lipsitz, published by JESL Educational Products, Downsview, Ont.

Urman goes to Bronfman firm

MONTREAL —

Stan Urman has been appointed to the staff of Claridge Inc. as associate director, Jewish affairs. The appointment was effective Oct. 3.

In this capacity, Urman will work with Manny Batshaw, the director of Jewish affairs, on those Jewish matters which Charles Bronfman is interested in, both in Canada and Israel.

Most recently, Urman, 39, served for five years as executive director of the Canadian Human Rights Foundation. This national, non-profit organization works to promote awareness of and respect for human rights in Canada and abroad.

Previously, Urman was the national executive director of Canadian Jewish Congress and was the head of the community development of Ville Marie Social Service Centre.

Urman was born and educated in Quebec, and holds a Master's degree from Boston University.

Urman said his immediate projects include developing a Montreal branch of the Canadian Society for Yad Vashem and Operation Independence, an international strategy to increase Israel's exports and promote investment in Israel.

He will also be concerned with Jewish education and Israel's institutions of higher learning, and other international affairs.

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Busy promoting Canada-Israel cultural ties

"Low key" CICF planning membership drive

By MOURA WOLPERT

TORONTO —

Quietly and without fanfare, the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation marked its 25th anniversary last August.

Surprising, perhaps, for an organization that concerns itself a great deal with music. Yet most of its activities take place modestly behind the scenes, even when it involves such undertakings as bringing the Israel Philharmonic to Canada no less than five times.

Even the presentation to the CICF last May of the annual Concert Society Award by the Jewish People's Schools and Peretz Schools of Montreal, was barely noticed.

So it's no understatement when national president Lily Barr describes the CICF as "a very low key, nice little organization."

But now, she said in a recent telephone conversation, the time has come to go out on a big membership drive.

Although the CICF has so far remained primarily a Toronto organization, there are chapters in Montreal and Ottawa. From a once active Hamilton chapter, only Anne Mandell remains as a member of the board of directors.

In Tel Aviv earlier this year, America-Israel Cultural Foundation executive director Benyamin Gal-Ed, whose office oversees the Canadian organization, noted that as yet, "there is nothing in the West."

He hopes to see chapters established in Vancouver, Calgary and Edmonton, where symphony conductor Uri Mayer, with whom he once played in the youth orchestra, remains a close friend.

When he was in Canada a year ago, Gal-Ed sensed "a new vitality. We are gathering momentum," he said, adding that he liked what he saw and heard. He will be visiting Canada again in December.

While the CICF is concerned with providing support for cultural organizations and programs in Israel, the Israel office determines where the money should go. The aim is to keep up the highest artistic standards — but "the needs of the country are immense," said Gal-Ed.

Last December the CICF committed $10,000 towards the establishment of CICF Canada Awards to assist students of the arts in Israel and the income from an anonymous donation of $50,000 will establish, in perpetuity, the Ilona Award in memory of the donor's sister, a young violinist killed in Auschwitz. The first award will be made in Israel in the fall of 1989.

Lily Barr

And a donation of $10,000 (U.S.) by Beatrice Wolfe of Toronto will be used to establish a scholarship in piano, to be awarded under the Sharett Scholarship Program in Israel.

A pianist who had once won a prize herself, Wolfe, now in her 80s, "joined the CICF last year and felt she wanted to do something," explained Barr.

"This is what the organization is all about. We could help so many more talented young people spread their wings."

The Sharett Scholarship Program, which covers all areas of the arts, including music, fine arts, dance, theatre, television and cinema, assists gifted young people in their professional training and public exposure.

A major project to which the CICF has always contributed is Tzlil Am, "sound of the people," a program under which mobile music units tour the country to bring music and music education to young people living in outlying communities. But with more government funds now available and more cultural centres being built under Project Renewal, "Tzlil Am has become somewhat outdated," said Gal-Ed.

"Now we are considering other possibilities," and the organization, he added, is now looking at some ideas that "will put Canada on the map in Israel."

He praised the CICF for being "very active and very positive in its approach" and for its activities "within the CICF, for themselves.

The CICF is the cultural link between Canada and Israel, but besides supporting projects in Israel, another important function is to bring Israeli culture to Canada and to advise Israel "on what is saleable here and what is not," said Barr.

Support of the CICF "is not costly," she remarked. "Everybody can belong. What matters is that Israel's profile is important to you."

The CICF's cooperation in the Ottawa Jewish community's Itzhak Perlman Gala at the National Arts Centre on Oct. 15, for example, "will help ensure that the NAC orchestra will visit Israel during its 1990 overseas tour."

And coming up in Toronto on Nov. 6 at Holy Blossom Temple, will be a "pillow concert" for children aged 4 to 12 — "to ensure a third generation of CICF members."

U.S. Senate passes treaty on genocide

WASHINGTON (JTA) —

The Senate has adopted enabling legislation that will allow the United States to comply with an international treaty outlawing genocide.

The measure was approved by voice vote. President Reagan, who supports the treaty, is expected to sign the bill into law.

The Senate vote was the final step in a process that began 40 years ago when President Harry Truman first proposed the treaty. Since then it has been adopted by 97 countries.

But United States failed to ratify the pact, largely because of opposition from conservatives in Congress, who claimed it might infringe on America's sovereignty.

The Senate finally approved the treaty in February 1986 and the enabling legislation was OK'd last week. The measure will amend the U.S. Criminal Code to include penalties for genocide, which it defines as deliberate intent to destroy all or part of a national, ethnic, racial or religious group.

The treaty was a direct response to the Nazis' extermination of 6 million European Jews during World War II, which gave the term genocide wide currency.

The maximum penalties for genocide under the amended U.S. code are a $1 million fine and life imprisonment for a killing, and $1 million fine and 20 years' imprisonment for attempting to cause physical or mental impairment.

The enabling legislation was blocked in the Senate judiciary committee for six months, mainly by Sen. Strom Thurmond, who insisted that the legislation impose the death penalty on those convicted of genocide.

Sen. William Proxmire, who crusaded for the treaty daily during his 19 years in the Senate, argued for enabling legislation with life imprisonment.

Only 14 of the 97 signatory countries mandate the death penalty for genocide, most of them in the Communist bloc.

Thurmond withdrew his demand after committee Democrats agreed to expedite the confirmation of federal judges appointed by Reagan.

Wiesel to speak

NEW YORK —

Nobel laureate Elie Wiesel, a Holocaust survivor and world famous author, will be keynote speaker at an international Holocaust remembrance award dinner to be held here on Dec. 4, State of Israel Bonds has announced.

Wiesel will join in presenting a remembrance award, bearing his name, to Holocaust survivor Samuel Piscar, of Paris and New York, at the dinner which will commemorate the 50th anniversary of "Kristallnacht" (the night of the broken glass), which launched the Holocaust.

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Jewish education to come under microscope

TORONTO —
Jewish education in Canada will be scrutinized and criticized Nov. 5 to 7 in Toronto when the 5th National Education Conference is held at the Constallation Hotel.

A wide array of topics will be addressed at the conference whose theme is Yad B'Yad (Hand in Hand) — The Successful Partnership of Volunteers and Professionals in Advancing Jewish Education. Co-sponsors are the Canadian Jewish Congress and the Canadian Zionist Federation.

The presidents of the sponsoring organizations, Dorothy Reitman of CJC and CZF's David Azrieli, will speak at the final plenary scheduled for Monday, Nov. 7 at 12.30 p.m. It will deal with National Responsibility for Jewish Education.

Responders from the Pacific, Atlantic and Manitoba regions will voice concerns and try to deal with what they feel are the repercussions of not having a real "educational" presence in the Canadian Jewish community.

Another major event will be a symposium on the Public Funding of Jewish Education on Sunday evening at 6.15. It will feature representatives from the four provinces (British Columbia, Quebec, Alberta and Manitoba) in which funding is available from their respective education ministries.

The pros and cons of government funding will be raised including the issues of the costs of staff hiring, curriculum, allocation of time and budget and to what degree there has been an imposition of certain restraints or curtailments.

"This will be a rare opportunity for representatives of the Jewish community across Canada concerned about this issue to share their experiences, says Rabbi Irwin Witty, executive director of the Toronto Jewish Board of Education. They will highlight problems and consider means and methods by which to cope with the existing government funding approach.

"We are talking about some $14 million in government funding (to private schools) in the four provinces."

Because of the wide range of interest this symposium is expected to attract, it will not be restricted to only those registered at the conference. The community at large will be able to attend as well.

"This entire conference comes down to one question," states chairperson Sandra Brown. "What remedy do you have for the survival of the Jews? The answer is education. It is high time education became a prime concern of the Jewish community. By bringing together all the educators and Jewish leaders for this event, we think we'll be taking a step towards doing just that."

Rabbi Marvin Pachino, co-chairperson responsible for programming, feels the two critical issues to be addressed over the weekend will take place earlier on the Sunday program. At 9.45 a.m., a plenary will deal with Partners in Jewish Education: Recruitment and Training of Staff and Lay Leadership.

"There is a dearth of Jewish teachers to be found," says Pachino. "The problem is not enough young people are being produced who are interested in this." A 12.30 p.m. plenary, Securing the Future of our Schools through Funding and Support Services, goes "hand in hand" with the former topic.

Topics will be addressed from various perspectives by a number of participants.

Samuel Schafler, president of Hebrew College in Brookline, Mass., will deliver the keynote address at the opening session at 9 p.m., Saturday. His topic will be Jewish Education as a Bridge to Jewish Unity: Jewish Youth and their Values.

Michael Rosenak is the scholar-in-residence and will conduct three sessions. He is a professor of Jewish education at Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

Those interested in simply attending the meetings and workshops will be able to register up to the night of the conference at 8 p.m., Nov. 5.

For more information, contact Dr. Yehuda Lipsitz or Joyce Levine at (416) 635-2883.

Share award in sciences

3 Jews share Nobel Prize

NEW YORK (JTA)
Three American physicists, who were once referred to as "the Jewish mafia at Columbia" University are recipients of this year's Nobel Prize in Physics.

Leon Lederman, Melvin Schwartz and Jack Steinberger were named co-recipients of the 1988 Nobel Physics Prize, which they were awarded for discovering the presence of a "ghostlike" particle in the building blocks of matter.

The three "ghostbusters" will share the $390,000 prize for their work on the neutrino, defined as "ghostlike constituents of matter."

The three, all New York natives, were accorded the tongue-in-cheek lable of "Jewish mafia at Columbia in the 60s" in the autobiography of Sheldon Glashow, a physical theorist who won the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1979.

Lederman, 66, is now director of the Fermi National Laboratory in Batavia, Ill. Schwartz, 55, formerly a professor at Columbia and Stanford Universities, now has his own computer communications company in Mountain View, California.

Steinberger, 67, works in Geneva, Switzerland, at the laboratories of the European Nuclear Research Centre, where he is building one of the experiments for the new electron-positron colliding beam, called LEP (Large Electron Positron).

Steinberger was Schwartz's thesis sponsor at Columbia in 1953.

Schwartz, a native of the southeast Bronx, attended the Bronx High School of Science. Both his parents were Russian immigrants.

The three physicists discovered the neutrino in 1961 at Brookhaven National Laboratory in New York.

Schwartz's company, Digital Pathways, Inc., which designs dial-up security for mainframe computers, is funded in equal parts by the American and Israeli governments for its joint research and development programs.

Schwartz sits on the board of governors of the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot, Israel.

Earlier, a Jewish woman from The Bronx was named a co-recipient of the 1988 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine.

Gertrude Elion, 70 was awared the prize, to be shared with her colleague George Hitchings, 83, with whom she has worked in drug research since 1945.

A third scientist sharing the $390,000 prize with them is a Briton, Sir James Black, who developed beta blockers and cimetidine (Tagamet).

Elion and Hitchings, who currently work for the Burroughs Wellcome Company at Research Triangle Park, NC, were awarded the prestigious prize for their development of a sequence of drugs now considered indispensable in the treatment of several illnesses, including heart disease, peptic ulcers, gout, malaria, auto-immune disorders and leukemia.

A recipient of many awards, Elion was named to the Hunter College Hall of fame in 1973 and was appointed by President Reagan to the National Cancer advisory board. (The Nobel Prizes will be presented Dec. 10).

Most Jews in U.S. give nod to Dukakis

NEW YORK (JTA) —
American Jews favor Michael Dukakis for President over George Bush by a margin as high as 4-1, according to the results of a nationwide poll released last week.

Of 647 Jews of voting age contacted by telephone in seven urban centres around the country, 60.6% said they would vote for Dukakis, 15.5% said they would vote for Bush and 22.5% were undecided.

The poll was conducted between Oct. 10 and 13. The results are subject to an error of plus or minus 4%.

While the Republican Party seems to have failed to broaden its base among Jews, and has lost as much as 50% of its Jewish support since the last election, the undecided voters will determine how large the fall-off will be.

If those undecided voters who favored President Reagan in 1984 were to switch to Dukakis in the same proportion as those Reagan-supporters indicating a preference have already done, Dukakis would win 76% of the Jewish vote, beating Bush in the Jewish community by a 3-1 margin.

Despite intense efforts of the Republican campaign to link Dukakis with the pro-Palestinian sentiments of Jesse Jackson, only 18% of Jewish voters said Jackson's presence in the campaign affected their choice "a great deal."

Of all those surveyed, 27% said they saw Jackson's presence in the campaign as a positive factor, 41% viewed it negatively and 30% said it made no difference.

"Jews are becoming — if they haven't become already — a 1-party community," said William Helmreich, professor of sociology and Judaic studies at the City College of New York and the Graduate Centre of the City University of New York.

Helmreich directed the poll, which was commissioned by three Jewish weekly newspapers and conducted by Byron Research and Consulting of Great Neck, NY.

According to Helmreich, the survey results hold a silver lining for the Republican Party. Most significantly, younger Jews were more likely to vote for a Republican candidate than older Jews. Among Jews 18 to 25 years old, 49% said they were registered Democrats, and 20% Republicans. Among all respondents, 70% were registered Democrats, and only 12% Republicans.

Those results are "very significant," said Helmreich. "Younger voters become older voters, and have children."

Bush also did almost twice as well among Orthodox Jews as he did among all those polled. But Dukakis was still favored. Among the 8.7% of the sample identifying themselves as Orthodox, 30% gave their vote to Bush and 40% to Dukakis. The remainder were undecided.

Koor Industries gets a reprieve

By HUGH ORGEL

TEL AVIV (JTA) —
The ailing Koor Industries got a month's reprieve from bankruptcy proceedings last week, but the future of the giant Histadrut-owned conglomerate remains in doubt.

A Tel Aviv district court agreed to a 30-day postponement of hearings on a petition by Bankers Trust Co. of New York for liquidation of Koor, to satisfy a $20 million unpaid debt.

Koor's attorneys told the court the company is preparing a comprehensive recovery plan that would be fair to its creditors. It is said to involve interim financing by Israeli banks, which are Koor's largest creditors.

But the plan requires the Treasury to put $50 million into Koor as a reassurance to the banks.

Bankers Trust, which is Koor's largest overseas creditor, is still pressing for the appointment of a temporary receiver. The Americans apparently have lost faith in Koor's ability to rescue itself.

Israeli banks are said to be wary of lending more money to Koor. The new loans would be unsecured if Bankers Trust's petition for liquidation is granted.

There were reports that three major Austrian banks to which Koor owes money were joining Israeli banks in an attempt to avert bankruptcy.

The government, meanwhile, faces a dilemma. While the finance ministry is loath to agree to any bailout plan, Koor's collapse would be an economic and political disaster for Israel.

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Honored Adolf Hitler

Casino owner under fire

By
LEN BUTCHER

LAS VEGAS —

Ralph Engelstad, owner of the Imperial Palace Hotel and Casino continues to come under fire for birthday parties he held in honor of Adolf Hitler and his secret "war room" filled with Nazi memorabilia.

Engelstad's secret came to light recently when a former hotel employee revealed the existence of bumper stickers reading "Hitler Was Right" while she was giving a deposition to lawyers concerning a civil suit against the hotel.

Engelstad, 58, has owned the hotel/casino, a popular destination for Canadians, for the past 10 years, but has always been a loner, shunning the spotlight. The hotel is noted for Engelstad's collection of antique cars, said to be one of the finest collections in the world.

The revelation of the parties and war room rocked this gambling mecca and outraged the Jewish community. This comes at a time when Engelstad is facing a charge of anti-semitism, filed by Las Vegas director of corporate security Mark Shindell, who said he also received one of the bumper stickers.

But it is the parties and what was contained in the secret room that has caused the biggest furor. Joe Dickie, a former body shop manager for Engelstad's antique car collection, said he helped build the room which contained huge murals depicting Hitler and Engelstad and a large painting of a swastika with a plastic replica of a fascist eagle.

According to Dickie, there was also a 6 ft-high portrait of Hitler with the inscription, "To Ralphie from Adolf" and a same-size portrait of Engelstad, dressed in Nazi uniform facing the Hitler picture signed "to Adolf from Ralphie."

Dickie also said that at a 1986 birthday party honoring Hitler, the guests shared a cake decorated with a red and black swastika insignia. Also in the room were weapons, propaganda and recruiting posters, as well as a multi-million dollar collection of cars used by Nazi officers, including a Mercedez Benz 320 which had belonged to Heinrich Himmler.

Engelstad, a native of Minnesota, after several days in hiding, made a public apology, saying that the birthday parties for Hitler were "not only stupid, but in bad taste, but at the same time, they were merely excuses for parties." He apologized to his family, employees and the city.

But an outraged Jewish community felt his apology was far from satisfactory. Gregory Kamer, a lawyer and spokesman for the Jewish Federation of Las Vegas told The CJN that in his apology, Engelstad did not even make "an acknowledgement of the offense to the Jewish community and the sensitivities of others who were affected by the Holocaust. It was a nothing apology.

"In fact, he admitted to holding Hitler birthday parties, admitted to, at least on his presses, printing up 'Hitler Was Right' bumper stickers. The hotel still has the printing plate used for those stickers. He admitted to having the portrait of himself in an SS uniform. So we were incensed."

Kamer said the Jewish community let it be known that it wouldn't accept the apology and that the war room and its memorabilia glorifying Hitler were inappropriate.

Engelstad has since said he would sell off that portion of his collection, but Kamer said; "That was not an acceptable resolution, because what he's doing is selling a cancer and spreading it all around. You risk selling all that material to other Hitler glorifiers."

To counter the growing pressure by the Jewish community, as well as others, Engelstad issued another apology, saying he realized that he was insensitive and didn't address the concerns of various sectors in the community. He said he didn't realize "how inflammatory all of this was and from the bottom of my heart I apologize to the Jewish community. I want the words 'Never again' to have real meaning to all of us. What I want to do is donate all the memorabilia to the U.S. National Holocaust Museum."

Engelstad's second apology and gesture quietened down the community for the time being, said Kamer, but that didn't stop the Jewish Defence League from Los Angeles coming to town asking Engelstad to donate 1% of his income for the rest of his life to Jewish charities.

Kamer was quick to point out that the JDL was not invited to get involved by the Jewish Federation and "we quickly distanced ourselves from that. We're not out to extort from this man and we're not going to whore for 1% of his income either".

For now, says Kamer, the community, represented by the Federation, is taking a wait-and-see attitude. "The whole story isn't known yet," says Kamer. "It still has to unfold. Based upon what Engelstad has done, his conduct, the glorification of Hitler, the insensitivity, the throwing of the birthday parties, the bumper stickers — all of this is indicative of a Nazi. What else is involved, we don't know at this point. So we are watching and waiting to see what the investigation will uncover."

The investigation Kamer refers to is that of the Nevada Gaming Control Board, which will determine Engelstad's suitability to hold a gaming licence. The board has issued a complaint against the casino owner, which means he will have to appear before the agents and explain his actions.

Demonstrations held at Israeli consulate

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

A small demonstration outside the Israeli consulate here last week was met by a counter-demonstration of Jewish students, who sang Hebrew songs to drown out the protesters' speakers.

The demonstrators, comprised of about 25 pro-Arab supporters, gathered at the consulate's Bloor St. location to protest against the trial of Michael Warshawski, an Israeli charged with violating the country's anti-terrorism ordinances.

According to Stephen Wise, chairman of the central region of the North American Jewish Students Network, the demonstrators claimed Israel was undemocratic because it had closed Warshawski's Alternative Information Centre and had charged Warshawski.

Wise told The CJN 55 York University and University of Toronto students associated with Network gathered to counter the anti-Israel demonstration.

"We were there to say that freedom of speech has limits and that every democracy has to have certain standards," he said.

The literature Warshawski distributed was not merely critieal of the Israeli government, but "incited riots" and told young students when to leave the classroom to gather for demonstrations, Wise said.

The material also provided instructions how to make Molotov cocktails, he added.

A news release prepared by Network claimed the Centre also provided various propaganda services for the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, the neo-Marxist group led by George Habash.

Warshawski had been free on bail pending start of his trial last week. He was charged under sections of the Defence Emergency Regulations and the Prevention of Terrorism Ordinance for providing printing and other services to a terrorist organization and for holding property belonging to a terrorist group.

No court determination of Warshawski's guilt or innocence had been rendered when The CJN went to press.

Wise said the Network students sang Hebrew songs such as Am Yisrael Chai during talks by four of the demonstrators' speakers.

"We were there to show passersby there was another side to the story," he said.

The Name Game

There is a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years. Mr. Catzman reports on his research in The CJN. If you have any information relating to the origin and meaning of your surname, please pass it along to Fred M. Catzman, c/o The Canadian Jewish News, 10 Gateway Blvd., Suite 420, Don Mills, Ont. M3C 3A1.

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BASIST — KESSLER — GREENSPAN

Richard Bassett, of Toronto's Ideal Food Service Equipment (valued clients for over 50 years), wrote me about his own surname (originally BASIST) and those of his maternal grandparents KESSLER and GREENSPAN.

BASSIST in German (BASISTA in Polish) is a singer with the deepest male voice. Linguists will recognize the French connection — "bas" for "low."

KESSLER may derive from one of two sources. KAESSLER may be a person who lived in KESSEL in Germany. KESSELMAN is another variation. Or it may emanate from the Hebrew name YERUTIEL.

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French official indicted

Nazi charge may be probed

PARIS (JTA) —
The long-festering charge that high-ranking Frenchmen collaborated with the Nazis during World War II may yet be decided if an investigating magistrate in Bordeaux decides to place a former cabinet minister on trial.

That possibility was raised with the recent disclosure that Maurice Papon, budget minister in the government of former President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, was secretly indicted three months ago for wartime collaboration.

Papon, 79, was the second-highest official in the Bordeaux area during the war. He has been accused of willingly helping the Nazis deport 1,690 Jews between 1942 and 1944.

After the war, he was the longest-serving police chief of Paris until he joined Giscard's government.

The drive for the indictment was led by German-born Nazi-hunter Beate Klarsfeld, who had an important role in bringing the former Lyon gestapo chief Klaus Barbie to justice more than 40 years after the war.

Klarsfeld charged that the French authorities were trying to bury the Papon case in solidarity with the former minister.

Papon always denied collaborating with the Germans and insisted he had helped Jews escape.

Papon was indicted on similar charges in 1983 and 1984, but they were dropped last year after the court of appeals cancelled proceedings on technical grounds.

After his first indictment, he asked to be tried by a court of honor, composed of former resistance fighters headed by the legendary resistance figure, Marie-Madeleine Forcade.

It did not absolve Papon but found no grounds to indict him.

Papon is only one of a number of ranking French officials accused by Jewish survivors and former resistance fighters of collaboration.

Most of them claimed they only pretended to cooperate with the Germans in order to help the resistance underground, and to save Jews and others from possible deportation.

JDL chairman wins case against Nazi

LOS ANGELES (JTA) —
Irv Rubin, the national chairman of the Jewish Defence League, has won a $100,000 judgment against an American Nazi who publicly asserted that Rubin had AIDS.

Judge Joseph Kalin of the Glendale Superior Court handed down the sentence against Stanley Witek, a leader of the National Socialist American Workers Party.

Kalin ordered Witek to pay Rubin $10,000 in damages for slander and an additional $90,000 in punitive damages.

During a confrontation last November at a Glendale hotel, where the Nazi group was conducting a "Crusade Against Corruption," Witek pointed to Rubin in front of television cameras and yelled, "Mr. Rubin has AIDS. Can't you see the sores on his face?"

After the sentencing, Witek claimed that he had no income to pay the $100,000, and that he was dependent for his basic living expenses on a "supersecret group, the American Aryan Committee."

The JDL leader in turn promised that "I'll be vigorous in collecting the judgment. I'll haul him into court every week if I have to."

Israelis dial direct to Moscow

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —
Israelis are now able to telephone Moscow and five other Soviet cities by direct dialling instead of going through the international operator.

This was made possible by British Telecom International (BTI), which will relay calls and which obtained the Soviets' consent for the arrangement. The service will not yet be available from the USSR to Israel.

CJC welcomes reparations

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ing shown by our government, whom together with other friendly governments have brought along this positive settlement.

"This has been a long process, but it feels very good that after 15 years of diligent work we have finally reached this point," he said.

Rose stated that the GDR decision — announced following a meeting between Bronfman and East German leader Erich Honecker in Berlin — "signifies that the the GDR recognizes this matter has to be resolved.

"For a number of years the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany (Claims Conference) has been negotiating with the government of the GDR concerning Jewish claims.

"The Conference represents 22 major national and international Jewish organizations, including CJC. It negotiated the original agreements with the German Federal Republic (West Germany) for indemnification to victims of Nazi persecution.

"The Claims Conference will commence at an early date to negotiate terms of the conditions with the GDR."

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TORONTO —
B'nai B'rith Canada has reacted with skepticism to the announcement that East Germany will pay war reparations for the extermination of 6 million Jews by Nazis during World War II.

"We have heard similar reports in the past which have claimed that the East Germans are prepared to share responsibility for the actions of the Nazis," BB Canada president Dr. Brian Feldman said in a news release.

"Yet, to date, we have seen no tangible results which indicate that East Germany is, in fact, willing to accept such responsibility."

Feldman said the gesture must be initiated immediately because the "biological clock ticks away as survivors age.

"Reparations will not be helpful or meaningful once the survivors are gone," he said.

WJC president Edgar Bronfman lays a wreath at East Berlin's Jewish cemetery, the largest Jewish cemetery in Europe. [RNS photo]

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French leaders press Herzog on Palestinians

By
EDWIN EYTAN

PARIS (JTA) —
President Chaim Herzog of Israel, on a 5-day state visit to France, was left in little doubt last week where French political opinion stands with respect to the Middle East conflict.

Both President Francois Mitterand, the Socialist chief of state, and former Premier Jacques Chirac of the Gaullist centre-right, made clear that they expect Israel to be more forthcoming toward the Palestinians.

Both stressed their high regard and enduring friendship for Israel and concern for its security.

Mitterand, speaking at a banquet he gave in Herzog's honor at the Elysee Palace, urged an international conference for Middle East peace with the participation of "all concerned parties."

He noted that while France recognizes Israel's security needs, it also takes cognizance that "the Palestinians are forbidden from having a country of their own."

Chirac, who ran against Mitterand in the last presidential elections, addressed a reception for Herzog at City Hall. He recalled that he was the first and only prime minister of France to visit Israel.

No one can doubt his attachment to that country, Chirac said, or his regard for Jewish values and the contributions the Jewish people have made to Western civilization.

But, he asked, "can the Jewish people remain faithful to the message it gave the world if the Palestinian people is prevented from choosing its own destiny and is deprived of a country?"

He called on Israel, without mentioning it by name, to display the same political courage as the late President Anwar Sadat of Egypt did when he visited Jerusalem 10 years ago, and take the necessary initiatives to break the present deadlock.

Herzog, who received a festive welcome upon his arrival in France, conferred with Prime Minister Michel Rocard. He was guest of honor at a banquet given by Laurent Fabious, speaker of the National Assembly.

Herzog visited the Normandy beaches and the Arromanches battlefield, where his Irish Guards regiment, in which he served with the rank of major, landed on D-Day, June 6, 1944.

Israeli electoral system explained by the CIC

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estinian position and, until then, they consider neither Israeli political bloc capable of, or likely to effect any real change."

Due to the static nature of the Arab-Israeli conflict, domestic isssues have taken prominence among Israelis. This includes the economy and health system, education, religion and leadership.

Although the Labor Party was thought to be the party better able to handle the economy in the past, Likud is now also seen as being just as capable in this area. It is also perceived as the party better able to deal with Israel's social problems.

While 59% of those polled in March demanded harsher measures in dealing with Palestinian rioters, these same actions may affect the electoral balance of power in the next Knesset as Israeli-Arabs abandon the Labor Party in favor other left-wing and Arablist parties. The latter group includes the Democratic Front for Peace and Equality, the Progressive List for Peace and the Arab Democratic Party.

Israel's ethnic mix may also affect who forms the next government. In recent elections Likud supporters have primarily been Sephardi (Middle East or Asian origin), while Labor has receive support from the Ashkenazi (European origin).

What appears to bode well for the Likud is that among Sephardim, support appears even greater among the second and third generations than among first generation immigrants. On the other hand, there is greater support for Labor among first generation Ashkenazi voters than among their children.

While the latter group constitutes a declining percentage of the electorate, it still remains a larger part of the Jewish population. Among Israel's Jewish population, 61.4% were born in Israel, 21.4% came from Europe and America and 17.2% came from Africa and Asia.

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Kach barred from election

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Party and other right-wing factions.

They cited the party's support of Palestinian nationalism and its alleged links to the Palestine Liberation Organization. The amendment to the Basic Laws disqualifies parties that reject the notion of Israel as the state of the Jewish people.

The narrow margin by which the Progressive List was approved to run in the elections indicated serious reservations among the justices.

The majority opinion seemed to say, however, that as long as the leftist party complies with the law, to ban it because its program is abhorred by many would be undemocratic.

At first glance, both court decisions seemed to have been a blow to the political right.

But political analysts who watch the opinion polls believe that with the elimination of Kach, its supporters will drift back to Likud from whence many of them originally came.

The latest polls indicate that Kach would have won about 100,000 votes in the upcoming elections. They translate to three or four Knesset seats, which could spell victory for Likud in a close race.

On the other hand, the Progressive List's inclusion on the ballot is likely to deprive Labor of Arab votes.

Israel's 750,000 Arab citizens are more politically aware than ever. Although many are Palestinian nationalists, there is strong sentiment among them to work within Israel's system to further their cause.

According to Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, chairman of the Labor Party and its choice for Prime Minister, Israeli Arabs have the potential of holding as many as 16 Knesset seats.

Meanwhile, Kahane vowed that he would continue his largely anti-Arab crusade by mass rallies and other non-parliamentary means. He predicted the day would come when the Israeli people would turn to him.

His supporters sang and danced outside the High Court building. Some wept, however, and ripped their clothes in a ritual sign of mourning.

But the Israeli public in general seemed delighted that the parliament will be rid of a faction that has at times been an international embarrassment to Israel.

Regular polio shots okay

NEW YORK (JTA) —

Americans planning to visit Israel need not worry about the recent outbreak of polio there, according to an expert at the federal Centres for Disease Control in Atlanta.

"Polio is not a reason not to go to Israel or to change your travel schedule while there, so long as the standard of your immunization is updated," said Dr. Walter Orenstein, director of the Division of Immunization at the Atlanta health agency.

His statement was made public by the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, through its National Committee on Tourism to Israel.

Earlier this month, a health advisor at the CDC urged tourists to get inoculated before departing for Israel. "We strongly advise a traveler getting the vaccine at this time," Jim Mize told the Jewish Exponent of Philadelphia.

The conference of Presidents stressed in a statement that the nationwide vaccination program launched by the Israeli health ministry was a preventive measure, not an emergency.

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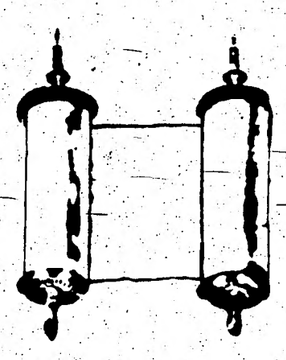

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Vayairah

Where there is humility there is peace and holiness. Conceit — *gaavoh* — leads to envy and hate.

The brilliant Reb Chaim Rappaport lived in the time of the Baal Shem Tov, founder of Chassidus, but was a sharp *mitnaged*, opponent of the Chassidic way. He developed a great personal animosity towards the Baal Shem Tov, although the two had never met.

Rabbi Gottesman

An apocryphal story tells how Reb Chaim sat in the beit medrash, and a stranger entered. Reb Chaim offered him greetings and asked him who he was.

"I am dust and ashes," answered the stranger. "And who are you?"

"I am also dust and ashes," answered Reb Chaim.

"Dust and ashes meets dust and ashes. So why should there be a battle between them?" The "stranger" was the Baal Shem Tov. (Ituray Torah)

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We are the children of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, Sarah, Rebeccah, Rachel and Leah. We are all princes and princeses — of Torah. What can we learn from our ancestors?

Humility. Modesty. Kindness.

Imagine the scene . . . The Almighty finally lost patience with the wicked city of Sodom. He was about to destroy it. But no! It was not right that He should destroy a city when its neighbor was his beloved follower, Abraham.

He summoned Abraham and told him the terrible news. Abraham summoned all his courage, stood, a mere mortal, 99 years old, and pleaded before the Almighty to save Sodom.

What a high point in Abraham's life! Not standing before some politician who is here today and driven out tomorrow, not before some great financier who is just flesh and blood, but before the King of Kings, the Eternal One!

And he was fulfilling the greatest mitzvah of *pikuach nefesh*, **trying to save lives! A holy, sublime moment. What an honor! What a peak!**

But what did Father Abraham say of himself sincerely: "Behold! I have just begun to speak to the Lord, and I am but *afar v'ayfer* — dust and ashes!" (Breshit 18:27)

Abraham was not just saying that to be polite. He *meant* it. Dust and ashes!

How is that possible? How could David call himself "a worm and not a man?" How could Moses say: "*V'nachu mah*? What are we? We are nothing?"

But that's it. That's the point. A truly great person has the understanding and heart to know that we are nothing. We are tiny motes in the eye of the universe. We are leaves in the wind. What we achieve, what we accumulate is at most a tiny drop of God's great and holy and eternal world.

Where is there room in this world for pride? For hate? For jealousy? For sadness? For pretention? For ostentation? Whoever is prideful, teach our Rabbis, drives away the Holy Shechinah.

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A tzaddik was given a choice of being a guest of one of two hosts. One was saintly but knew he was a saint; the other was not so perfect, but down to earth. Said the tzaddik: "About sinners God said: 'Who dwells among them in their impurity.' But about a prideful person, there is no room for the Shechinah — or me." Shabbat Shalom.

Increased awareness cited for boost

Holiday Bonds pledges up 11%

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —

Higher interest rates and increased awareness of the importance of Israel Bonds helped boost pledges during the recent High Holiday campaign by 11% from last year, say two Bonds officials.

Almost 6,000 Toronto residents pledged more than $5 million (U.S.) during the campaign held on Yom Kippur, say Jack Kahn and Marvin Miller, co-chairmen of Bonds' Synagogue Division in Toronto.

Last year about 5,600 people pledged more than $4.3 million (U.S.) for Bonds during the same period.

Miller said part of the increase may have been due to recent events in Israel, which have been covered daily in the media.

"It may have caused a heightened awareness (of the need for Bonds)," said Miller, an insurance broker and president of Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

"And certainly we were all very conscious of Israel's predicament — the fact that the tourism industry has suffered somewhat.

"We also became more aware of many of the things Israel is doing such as medical research and we were much better prepared to bring the message to our congregants of how Israel Bond money is used."

A total of 36 Toronto-area synagogues took part in the High Holiday campaign, with the Beth Tzedec congregation leading all others in Bond pledges.

Others in the top 10 included Shaarei Shomayim Congregation, Holy Blossom Temple, Adath Israel Congregation, Beth Tikvah Synagogue, Beth Sholom Synagogue, Beth Emeth-Bais Yehuda Synagogue, Beth David B'Nai Israel Beth Am, B'nai Torah Congregation and Beth Avraham Yoseph of Toronto Congregation.

Marvin Miller

Both Miller and Kahn said they were pleased with the results.

"The totals are really a tribute to the Israel Bonds chairmen in all the synagogues who put forth a great effort in creating programs and involving the congregations to raise awareness throughout the community," Kahn said.

"Every individual in the community deserves the credit. Hats off to all the Bonds purchasers."

Bonds officials expect pledges to exceed $60 million (U.S.) across Canada this year.

And around the world, more than $660 million (U.S.) are expected to be sold.

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Bonds dinner for Goodbaums a family affair

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —
It was like a family affair.

Businessman and philanthropist Julius Goodbaum and his wife, Esther, were paid special tribute at a recent Israel Bonds dinner when all five of their children participated in the program.

The event — part of Beth Sholom Synagogue's 1988 Bonds drive — brought the shul's Bonds sales total for this year to more than $2.25 million (U.S.)

About 275 family, friends and congregants gathered at the Conservative Eglinton Ave. W. shul to honor the Goodbaums, who have been active at Beth Sholom for more than a half-century.

"We're proud that our parents' hard work, interest and commitment to the community is being honored," the couple's youngest son, David, 28, told the audience.

David, a businessman, hosted the event, while older siblings Mark, a doctor and father of three, delivered the main tribute speech; Zellick, a businessman and father of three, led the birkat hamazon; Neena, a chiropractic assistant and mother of four, performed two songs; and Harriet, a homemaker and mother of four, introduced the event's guest artists.

Also present were all five of the children's spouses, four of the Goodbaums' 14 grandchildren, and more than 35 other relatives, including brothers, sisters and cousins.

"A long and proud history runs through my family's veins, and my parents have always served as a guiding light, a source of strength and a constant inspiration," David said.

Mark told his parents the family not only loves them, but: "We respect you, admire you and count on you more than my words could ever adequately show."

He said his father, owner of the Sunnybrook food store chain, and mother, a bookkeeper, have always provided a home filled with warmth, discussion, thought and beautiful food.

Dinner chairman Marshall Folk described it as a "privilege and an honor to pay tribute to two people who are very dedicated to the State of Israel and to the Jewish way of life."

Julius is Beth Sholom's treasurer and a member of the shul's brotherhood. Esther is president of B'nai B'rith Women's Eglinton Chapter, and a former president of Beth Sholom Sisterhood and the Women's League for Conservative Judaism.

In recognition of their exemplary support of Israel, the couple was awarded Bonds' Israel 40th Anniversary Medal. The presentation was made by shul president Carl Winer.

Winer also presented the couple with a commemorative plaque from BB's Eglinton Chapter.

"Dear family and friends, you honor us with your presence here this evening. Our cup runneth over," said Esther, thanking the crowd.

Her husband added: "What a wonderful feeling being recognized by your synagogue and State of Israel Bonds for doing something that is so much a part of your being.

"Next to my family and business, Beth Sholom and Israel mean more to me than anything else," Julius said.

Other speakers included Robert Evans, a former CBS foreign correspondent, who delivered the keynote address; Rabbi Harvey Meirovich, who gave a Devar Torah and performed the hamotzi; Cantor David Bagley, who performed five songs in tribute to the Goodbaums; and Bagley's wife, Denise, who introduced the guest speaker.

Special guests included David's wife, Sara, who will soon graduate as a dentist; Mark's wife, Linda Ander, a homemaker; Zellick's wife, Vivah, a businesswoman and silver and goldsmith; Neena's husband, Bill Lurie, an electronics technologist; and Harriet's husband, Jerry Borins, a tavern owner.

Grandchildren present included Shawna Lurie, 13, and her 12-year-old sister, Rachel, as well as the 11-year-old fraternal Borins twins, Mathew and Andrew.

Seen at Beth Sholom's recent dinner are (from left) Carl Winer, Robert Evans, and honorees Esther Goodbaum and her husband Julius. [Richard Saunders photo]

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Organizations and People

Long association with Israel

Doug Bassett named Negev Dinner honoree

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Back in 1961, as a recent graduate of the University of New Brunswick, Douglas Bassett began his lengthy association with the State of Israel.

Along with a friend, Fred Eaton, he set out on "the grand tour of Europe," beginning with a visit to the Jewish state.

His face lights up and he still smiles at the memory of those heady days: the beauty of the land; the beauty of the Israeli girls; the surprise he felt on first-hand experience of the strange contradictions of Israeli society; the drive across Europe in a red Volkswagen "Beetle."

Good memories of a fun time.

Twenty-seven years later, Bassett maintains an intense interest in the Jewish state. A self-proclaimed "Zionist" with a love for the land, he and his wife Susan are now, at the time this story is being published, visiting Israel (he for the third time) and taking in the sights — the holy places, the beaches, the conservation areas.

And quite likely, surveying for themselves the forest lands destroyed by fire during the 11-month old Palestinian uprising.

Over one million trees have been destroyed by arson, and that distresses Bassett.

As a conservationist with a love for nature and for Israel, Bassett gets quite angry and quickly raises his voice at the thought that "the enemies of Israel are burning down the fruit trees, all the beautiful trees that have been planted."

It's his love of Israel and of nature (he's chairman of the World Wildlife Fund Canada) that have prompted the Jewish National Fund to recognize the philanthropic businessman as this year's honoree at the Negev Tribute Dinner on Nov. 27.

Only the second non-Jew to be so honored, Bassett is keeping that accolade in the family. His father, John, former owner of the defunct Toronto Telegram newspaper, received the tribute in 1971.

More than 1,000 people are expected to fill the banquet hall at Toronto's Royal York Hotel for this year's Negev Dinner, said JNF executive director Yehuda Danzig.

Bassett was chosen as this year's honoree at one of the Toronto Jewish community's premier prestige events because of his many years of work on behalf of Israel, Danzig said.

Bassett "is very sincerely dedicated to the well-being of the State of Israel," Danzig said. "He's a better Zionist than a lot of Jews I know."

For the JNF, the dinner presents an opportunity to both honor a friend and kick off the Douglas G. Bassett Foundation for Environmental Action.

The foundation is a JNF project designed to raise money towards the reforestation of the lands devastated in the year's fires — blazes that have destroyed trees planted as early as 1901 when the JNF began its land reclamation work.

Douglas Bassett

That's the sort of project that can get Bassett excited. A high-energy, youthful-looking man of 48, Bassett constantly paces his immaculately kept president's office at CFTO-TV's Scarborough location.

His eyes dart about, his arm sweeps through the air, punctuating the points he is making when discussing his connection to Israel and the Jewish people. A bundle of energy waiting to be unleashed, Bassett displays anger when he talks about Israel's critics:

"It's so easy to pick on Israel...No one will hurt you if you criticize Israel.

"I'm emotional about all the wrongs people want to right in the wrong ways," he stated.

Bassett, president and CEO of Baton Broadcasting, which runs the CFTO television station, is adamant that "people should express their views on politics...take a position and stand up and be counted."

Standing up and being counted might be Bassett's motto in life, if not for the one he trumpets equally: "You've only failed if you fail to try. If you fail to try, you fail yourself."

Bassett's CV of community activities he has supported reads like roll call of charitable Canadian causes. He's been a director since 1982 of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews; has campaigned on behalf of St. John Ambulance; is vice-president of the Toronto chapter of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science; is vice-chairman of the Hospital for Sick Children, capital campaign; governor of the National Ballet of Canada, and on and on...

"I've been active in the total community," he said.

It's something that was instilled in him as a young boy at home: "We were brought up that with the good life comes responsibility."

An example was set by his parents and grandparents, who "were very active," and Bassett fell into it as naturally as a Canadian kid plays hockey in winter.

Growing up with Jewish friends at school, with his father being honored by the JNF and joining the Jewish membership at the Primrose Club, it was easy for Bassett to create many ties to Jews and Jewish interests.

He lets drop a few names of his good friends who are Jewish, some of whom (Murray Koffler, Tom Beck) got him interested in working for the Weizmann Institute, which Bassett compared to the Hospital for Sick Children in its worldwide reputation for excellence.

But the accolades presented by the JNF are especially pleasing to Bassett. With it, he follows in his father's footsteps and maintains his family tradition of community service. The award does not "recognize just me," he said, "but my wife, parents and grandparents."

Elder abuse cited as ongoing problem

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

NORTH YORK —

Despite the best efforts of health departments, elder abuse is still a real and continuing problem in the community, says a North York public health nurse.

"There are no reliable statistics on elder abuse in Ontario or Toronto but we estimate about 1,600 cases in Toronto alone," says Shari Cherney.

Cherney spoke recently at the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living as part of its awareness project on abuse of the elderly.

She defined elder abuse as harm to an elderly person by anyone upon whom the victim relies for basic needs. The abuse may be physical, financial, psychological or neglect.

Cherney told the group that victims are often women over 80 years old and come from all socio-economic groups.

She said that elder abuse is a hidden crime because of the reluctance of many victims to report their abuse. "They may be ashamed that a loved one, be it a son, daughter or spouse, is doing this to them or they may fear being sent to an institution. Whatever the reason we don't find out about enough cases."

Cherney, who has had first hand experience in dealing with the problems, said that North York's recently started elder abuse program has three major goals: senior health promotion; risk control and prevention of elder abuse, and assessment and care of caregivers and victims. "Through our assessment program we are able to detect abuse in any form and carry on from there."

She added that a public health nurse can detect the risk of potential abuse or actual abuse.

Cherney asked each person in the audience to imagine what it would be like to have someone completely dependent on them. "A caregiver does not have an easy task," she said.

She said that caregivers often have unrealistic expectations and expect to be all things to that person. "They hesitate to ask for help because they don't want to be seen as failures. The harder it gets, however, the more frustrated they become and they may lash out at their loved one."

Cherney said a public health nurse will help the caregiver and the victim come to terms with their relationship and offer assistance. "We help find services for the family that will provide such things as counselling or help for the caregiver. Very often people don't know these services exist."

When asked if a victim who reports being abused is taken out of the home, Cherney said, "no, we try to work with the situation."

Cherney said that unless a victim files a report against the caregiver there is nothing a nurse can do about charging the abuser. "The victim is often afraid of the caregiver and refuses to report abuse. All we can do is reaffirm their right as an adult citizen."

Cherney said that increased knowledge into the caregiver-elderly relationship will help prevent elder abuse. "Elder abuse is still in the awareness education stage but we have come a long way. We need more discussions, and more support groups."

She encouraged anyone who needs any type of help to call the department of public health.

The next two lectures on elder abuse will revolve around financial abuse and will be held at the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living at 1.30 p.m., Nov. 23 and 30.

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Organizations and People

B'nai B'rith, CJC united in opposition

Confusion reigns over issue of school prayers

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Confusion about the status of prayers in Ontario schools has resulted following the announcement of new guidelines by the ministry of education.

And media reports over the positions of major Jewish organizations reacting to the government's announcement indicated a divergence of views on the issue.

However, Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith Canada appear not to be differing substantially in their opposition to the recitation of religious prayers in Ontario schools, nor in what they would like to see replace it.

Mandatory school prayers, which typically involved the Lord's Prayer, were struck down last month by the Ontario Court of Appeal for violating constitutional guarantees of freedom of religion.

Following announcement of the judicial decision, the ministry of education seemed to leave the door open to a continuation of the Lord's Prayer in Ontario public schools, if it is accompanied by other prayers or readings.

A ministry of education news release announcing the government's new policy concludes by stating: "In its interim advice, the ministry said if a board chooses to continue with opening exercises, it may do so provided that any *readings and prayers* reflect the multicultural realities and traditions of Ontario sociiety, and provided that no one religion is given a position of primacy."

Charles Zaionz, chairman of CJC's Ontario Region, said Congress would favor "opening exercises that didn't have religious overtones," such as singing the national anthem or observing a moment of silence. He opposed replacement of the Lord's Prayers with a changing series of prayers from different religious groups.

"Mixing prayers doesn't solve the problem," he said. Students in public schools "from a number of religions, or (who are) atheists or agnostics...should not be exposed to prayers of another religion on a more or less mandatory basis."

Jewish children, who could not recite the Lord's Prayer or other Christian prayers, would be in no better position if Moslem, Hindu or Sikh prayers were also introduced, he said.

As before, the students would be put into a position in which they would have to exclude themselves from the class, thus focusing attention on the differences between them and their classmates, he said.

Frank Dimant, executive vice president of B'nai B'rith, told The CJN he did not support prayer in the classroom. Religious devotions belong in the home or in religious institutions, he stated.

Alan Shefman, director of BB's League for Human Rights, said the organization did not favor a mix of prayers in the classroom.

However, he said the League would support the replacement of prayers with readings that reflect the multicultural reality of Ontario and which did not place one religious group in a position of exclusivity or primacy over others. (Among them, the education ministry has suggested, could be the Lord's Prayer.)

Shefman noted that the readings would be of an inspirational nature and include "great readings" and "great thoughts" from various religious or ethnic groups, but would not necessarily be prayers.

He cited the situation in the Toronto and North York school boards of education where prescribed lists of readings which vary daily are recited in class. He called that a practical, workable solution to the question.

A specific, prescribed reading list would have to be introduced before the League could support the ministry's proposal, he added.

Zaionz agreed that readings, based on the Toronto and North York models, would be "a lot better than requiring...prayers." Congress had accepted (prior to the court decision) that the Toronto solution was preferable to recitation of the Lord's Prayer.

Ideally, Congress would be most satisfied with opening exercises that didn't have any religious overtones, he added.

Zaionz said opposition to school prayers has been on Congress's agenda for 40 years. The problem has been most egregious in smaller communities outside major centres like Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa and Windsor.

There, differences between Jewish children and their Gentile schoolmates are highlighted when Jewish students absent themselves from the classroom.

Zaionz noted that "many in the province see the public school system as a Protestant (one), versus a Catholic (one), and see it as a function of the public school board to indoctrinate children."

There is a large constituency in the province that would like to retain religious prayers in the public schools, he added.

Commenting on the ministry's proposals, Congress's director of research, Bernie Farber, said "If this type of regulation is enacted, it appears to leave the door open for prayer to continue in the schools."

Earlier, Farber said Congress would consider a court action to prevent school prayers from being reintroduced into the school system.

An education ministry spokesman was unavailable for comment when The CJN went to press.

Israel's UN envoy to be at parade, service

TORONTO —
Israel's new ambassador to the UN, Yochanan Bein, will be the guest of honor at a Remembrance Day Parade and Service of the Jewish War Veterans, Toronto Post, Sunday, Nov. 6.

The service at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave., will also commemorate the 50th anniversary of Kristallnacht. Perrin Beatty, minister of national defence, is expected to attend.

The parade will form up at the Baycrest Centre and proceed down Bathurst St. at 9.30 a.m. to reach the reviewing stand in front of the synagogue at 10 a.m. The service in the synagogue will follow immediately.

Veterans of Korea and Vietnam, members of the American Legion and Navy, Air and Army cadets will be among the guests.

An urgent message from the Toronto Post asks all Jewish ex-servicemen and those who served as partisans, resistance fighters, or in the underground, to join the parade. Medals and decorations should be worn.

Sam Pasternack is the Toronto Post commander. For further information call Joseph Becker, publicity chairman, 638-6854.

Maimonides lecture

TORONTO—
What is Living in the Thought of Maimonides: The Modernity of a Medieval will be the topic of Prof. Marvin Fox in the Joseph and Gertie Schwartz Memorial Lecture.

Fox, who teaches Jewish philosophy at Brandeis University, will speak at 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 27 at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, South Auditorium, 252 Bloor St. W. in Toronto.

Fox will also present a reading of the Maimonides; Guide for the Perplexed Part I, Chapters 1 and 2 at a seminar from 1 to 3 p.m. in Room 240 of University College of the University of Toronto.

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United Way assists Jewish services to the aged

(In the last of a 3-part series, RON CSILLAG examines the role the United Way plays in the funding of Jewish communal and social services agencies in Toronto.)

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TORONTO —

Jewish community leaders in Toronto agree that because the fastest growing segment of the population is comprised of people aged 65 and over, with the elderly population up by 30% since 1976, it is all the more important to support the United Way, which substantially finances the most visible services to the aged in the city.

Among the 190 health, community and social service agencies it funds in Toronto, the United Way helps support the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living, the Good Fellowship Lodge of the Jewish Camp Council and Senior Care (formerly Co-ordinated Services to Jewish Elderly).

For the senior citizen, United Way dollars can go a long way in establishing some contact with the outside world and easing the loneliness that often accompanies old age.

Funds raised by United Way each autumn also go toward financing such programs as Meals on Wheels, counselling for families of Alzheimer's disease victims and a number of recreational and cultural activities for the elderly.

The goal for this year's United Way drive is $39 million, funds which will be allocated in 1989. Last year, the campaign raised $35.2 million for 1988.

At one of North America's best-known facilities for the aged, the Baycrest Centre, United Way dollars help fund two programs: Baycrest Day Care Service and the Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre.

The Day Care program serves 165 "frail seniors" — those living at home, but who need some help and support. It offers a wide range of cultural, social and recreational activities for two days a week, and the fee is offset partly by UW funds.

It also offers a special day care program for more cognitively impaired seniors and a respite care program, whereby relief is provided to a care giver in the home of a victim of Alzheimer's disease or other disorder.

The Wagman Centre is a multi-purpose activity centre for those 55 and over and has recreational, cultural and physical fitness programs for its 2,000 or so members, all in a Jewish environment. In all, the United Way has allocated $338,000 this year to the Baycrest projects.

For the past 10 years, the United Way has been instrumental in funding the Good Fellowship Lodge, a summer camp facility for seniors, located at Maple Lake Resort near Parry Sound, Ont.

Each summer, almost 400 senior citizens take part in five, 2-week periods of activities in a communal setting, with kosher meals, says Lodge director Laraine Polevoy.

Last year, the provincial government increased its funding of home help for seniors to 70%. Another 20% comes from municipal social service agencies, leaving 10% to be found elsewhere. The United Way helps with the funding of what is referred to as home support services: visiting seniors, security checks, grocery shopping and other errands, doing laundry and generally providing human contact for more frail seniors.

Over at the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living, which received over $128,000, or 18% of its budget from the United Way this year, the so-called "well elderly" go on a drop-in basis to take part in numerous cultural, social, religious, educational and recreational programs. The Centre has counselling and referral services, hot, kosher lunches, and a telephone reassurance program for its 1,600 "regulars."

Another United Way member agency is Senior Care, the community's central agency servicing the non-institutionalized Jewish elderly.

Senior Care will receive more than $109,000 from the United Way in 1988, representing over 4% of its budget. The agency provides home support services, such as housekeeping and shopping; safety care and support services such as counselling, referrals and volunteer visiting, and kosher Meals on Wheels.

Moi Tam, associate director of allocations and community relations at the United Way, said the Meals on Wheels program has grown in the past 13 years from providing 12 meals day to about 275 meals daily.

Whereas Senior Care provides kosher Meals on Wheels to people in their own homes, the Bernard Betel Centre delivers about 9,000 annually to those who are institutionalized in non-kosher facilities, says Bernard Betel director Ed Segalowitz.

At the time of year when the United Jewish Appeal and the United Way campaigns coincide, states UJA campaign director Mark Gryfe, it is important the two are not seen as in competition, but as complementary.

Lubavitcher retreat slated for Collingwood

TORONTO—

Drawing closer to both God and loved ones is the theme of a 3-day retreat which starts Oct. 28 at the Blue Mountain Resort in Collingwood, Ont.

Sponsored by Chabad Lubavitch, the retreat will feature lectures and workshops as well as normal Shabbat services. There will also be a separate program for children.

Seminars on Saturday afternoon will feature Rabbi Sholom Lipskar of Miami who will speak on intimacy and Rabbi Manis Friedman of St. Paul, Minn who will talk on honoring one's parents.

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Organizations and People

Possibility of close election good, says Bar-Ilan professor

Quiet atmosphere indicates serious Israeli vote

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —
The relatively quiet atmosphere of the Israel election campaign is a sure sign of just how serious everyone sees the situation Prof. Daniel Elazar told a recent lecture at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue.

"Israeli affairs are usually marked by a very high decibel level; that's when you know we don't really mean anything much," said Elazar who teaches political science at Bar Ilan-University and is director of the Centre for the Study of Federalism at Temple University in Philadelphia and a recognized writer and lecturer on Jewish community organization and Israeli politics.

He spoke in Toronto and Montreal under the auspices of the Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University.

electoral reform, to a district method of representation from the present party list system, which encourages the development of splinter parties.

Smaller parties, left-leaning ones like Ratz or like the right-leaning Tehiya, tend to be more extreme than either the centre-left Labor or centre-right Likud parties. In return for their support, the major parties are thus forced to at least ostensibly assume more extreme positions than they might otherwise want to.

The only — "and this is a big only" — major division between the two parties is on the issue of peace, and "I don't know if we can afford to have the process stalemated again."

Regarding the intifada, Elazar said that the Arabs' biggest mistake was not to negotiate last March when the uprising

Prof. Daniel Elazar

was freshest in the world's press. "They lost their advantage because they became boring."

Nevertheless, he said, the intifada will continue, because Israel does not feel comfortable using the power it could to repress the stone-throwers, as has been done, for instance, in Beirut and Algeria.

"That's one reason that the quietest response to the uprising has been from the Arab states. They know that once it began in the territories it could easily spill over to them."

"The Palestinian Arabs were originally united in their efforts because they were successful." Now, he said, there is fragmentation in the Muslim fundamentalists who originally started the trouble, true PLO supporters, Communists, the old families, and those who are apolitical but want quiet.

"One reason the PLO may declare a state would be in an effort to stop the fragmentation."

Most Israelis, he indicated, are prepared to compromise on territory for a real peace. However, although some Arabs are becoming more willing to compromise with Israel, there are still many who openly fight for her elimination.

"If we make a mistake, we can't recover from it," he warned.

Whatever happens, said Elazar, it is up to Jews both in Israel and the Diaspora not to lose either their nerve or their faith in the basic morality of Israel and her people.

He concluded with a poignant story of his own son, a medic in the army, who was sent to the territories. When he was hit by a (luckily non-exploding) Molotov cocktail, his companion shot the culprit. Young Elazar rescued his attacker, gave him first aid, transported him to the hospital, made sure he was all right, and only then sought treatment for his own wound.

"His only complaint was that *he* was pilloried for being a barbarian."

Coalition government worked well

Because Labor and Likud have basically functioned well as a coalition government ("they have even stuck together over their failures, like in dealing with the health care system"), and because neither has a leader with the special qualities necessary to bring peace, Elazar said that the chances of another close vote, and thus another national unity government, are good.

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Rabbi Yoseph Zaltzman (right) shows former Refusenik Yosef Begun copies of the centre's newspaper Exodus during Begun's recent visit to Toronto. [Michael Brothman photo]

Soviet Jews outgrow community centre

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO — An unexpected turnout of about 1,500 Soviet Jewish immigrants to a recent Orthodox High Holiday service organized by the city's Jewish Russian Community Centre has driven home the need to find larger quarters, says the centre's director.

The centre, located in the Bathurst-Steeles area, was forced to rent an auditorium at a nearby junior high school to accommodate the large numbers, Rabbi Yoseph Zaltzman says.

Even then, it was standing room only in the aisles and hallways for most people who attended the Yom Kippur service which was held in Hebrew and Russian, Zaltzman said in an interview.

The 2,500-square-foot centre has also been renting space at nearby synagogues for weddings and bar mitzvahs, while its Jewish youth program is being held in a rented gym and classrooms at a neighborhood public school.

"It's too small now," Zaltzman said of the Rockford Rd. centre, which was purchased almost three years ago.

"We've already got things that we can't host in here."

Toronto's 10,000 Soviet Jewish immigrants are also becoming more heavily involved in the centre, he says.

As a result, Zaltzman has been searching for a new facility, about 10,000-15,000 square feet in size, to house a sanctuary for about 1,000, a hall for at least 500, a library, kitchen, offices, classrooms and gym.

He says he would like to find a building in the same area as the current centre, which is within a 30-minute walking distance of about 5,000 Soviet Jews.

But the Russian-born rabbi has so far been unable to locate a suitable building. "This neighborhood is very developed already," he says. "There are very few things you can touch."

Zaltzman, a father of six, was sent by Lubavitcher Rebbe Menachem Schneerson, of New York, to Toronto in 1981 to help work with the Soviet Jewish community here.

In the beginning, few Soviet Jews went to synagogue. After attracting some to services at B'nai Torah Congregation and later at the Lubavitch Community Centre, Zaltzman managed to rent space at the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living on Steeles Ave. W.

More people began showing up, especially when prayer books and sermons in Russian became available.

Later, Zaltzman began looking for a more permanent location, and in 1986 paid $85,000 for the current building, which was an old hydro plant. It was converted, refurbished and equipped at a cost of $300,000 to house a chapel seating up to 200, library corner, kitchenette, offices and washrooms. The funds were mainly raised in the Russian Jewish community.

"I knew in the beginning that this is small, but this was the only thing that was available, so I said, 'Let's start here,'" Zaltzman said.

Since then, as many as 95% of Toronto's Soviet Jewish community has used the centre's services.

Up to 80 people regularly attend Shabbat services, and thousands of others receive help from programs, including family and women's counselling; family purity, Judaica and adult education classes; mezzuzah "house calls; seniors' groups; and kitchen koshering services.

The centre — which has a staff of six — also publishes a monthly newspaper in Russian called the Exodus. It's distributed free to 3,500 families across Canada, including 2,700 in Toronto.

This year, Rosh Hashanah services, held at Fisherville Junior High School on Patricia Ave., attracted 500 people.

Simcha Torah services were held at the centre, but a lack of space forced organizers to take the Torahs outside where 500 people danced in the streets — the women on Rockford Rd. and the men on the adjacent Stonedene Blvd.

Zaltzman says increasing numbers of Soviet Jewish immigrants have been attracted to the centre — the only place in the city to offer services in both Hebrew and Russian — because they receive its monthly newspaper which explains Jewish holidays.

Immigrants have also got to know centre staff who have helped put up mezzuzahs in their homes. They've also been invited to attend community seders, Chanukah and Purim programs at the centre.

Zaltzman also keeps on computer the yahrzeits of thousands of deceased relatives, notifying families when the dates arrive. As a result, many people go annually to the shul to say kaddish, bringing cookies and vodka for the "L'Chaim" reception after.

"World Jewry fights for the rights or possibility that the Russian Jews should be able to leave the Soviet Union and come to the West," Zaltzman said.

"But I feel that's not the end. That's just the beginning.

"When they come here, we should be able to introduce to them to Judaism, which they've been lacking for about seven decades."

The only other places in Toronto for Soviet Jews are two seniors' programs — one at the Bernard Betel Centre and the other at Baycrest Centre, Zaltzman said.

B'nai B'rith Canada also has a Russian-speaking lodge called Sholom Aleichem, which has 53 members.

Another group — the Association of Soviet Jewry in Canada — is made up of between 400 and 500 immigrants.

The Jewish Immigrant Aid Service also helps Soviet Jews.

For more information on Zaltzman's centre, call (416) 665-9600, or write to 18 Rockford Rd., Willowdale, Ont. M2R 3V9.

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PROGRAM

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3

OFFICIAL OPENING PROGRAM
8:00 p.m. O.I.S.E.
252 Bloor St. W. Toronto
"WHILE MILLIONS OF GOOD PEOPLE DID NOTHING" Mark Talisman, Director, Washington Action Office, Council of Jewish Federations, Vice-Chairman, United States Holocaust Memorial Council; Herb Rosenfeld, President, Toronto Jewish Congress; Professor Arthur Kruger, Dean of Woodsworth College; Jenny Eisenstein, singer.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4
8:00 p.m. Beach Hebrew Institute
109 Kenilworth Ave. Toronto
Oneg Shabbat "THE ROLE OF THE MEDIA - THE ZUNDEL TRIAL"
Paul Bilodeau, Toronto Star reporter who covered the trial on a daily basis.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6
10:00 a.m. Temple Sinai
210 Wilson Ave. North York
"FIFTY YEARS AFTER KRISTALL-NACHT"
Gerda Steinitz-Frieberg, National Chairman Holocaust Remembrance Committee, Canadian Jewish Congress, survivor, will discuss the importance of Kristall-Nacht in the events leading to the Holocaust.

7:30 p.m. Royal York United Church
851 Royal York Rd. Etobicoke
"THE COST OF APATHY: COMMEMORATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF KRISTALL-NACHT"
Colloquium of Christian and Jewish speakers will discuss Kristall-Nacht and its relation to current events.

KRISTALL-NACHT - THE COST OF APATHY
Survivor testimony and screening of the film "Courage to Care". Question and answer period to follow.

RICHMOND HILL UNITED CHURCH	
10201 Yonge St.	Oct. 27
Richmond Hill	8:00 p.m.
ROYAL YORK ROAD UNITED CHURCH	
851 Royal York Road	Nov. 6
Toronto	7:30 p.m.
CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH	
2850 Midland Avenue	Nov. 10
Scarborough	7:30 p.m.
ST. JOHN FISHER CATHOLIC CHURCH	
300 Balmoral Drive	Nov. 14
Bramalea	7:30 p.m.

8:00 p.m. Shaar Shalom
2 Simonston Blvd. Thornhill
THE ZUNDEL TRIAL
John Pearson, Deputy Crown Attorney, Crown Office, Criminal; Crown Attorney at the Zundel Trial.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7
8:00 p.m. Holy Blossom Temple
1950 Bathurst Street Toronto
"THE TESTIMONY OF THE SURVIVOR"
Elie Wiesel, author, lecturer, recipient of 1986 Nobel Peace Prize. This lecture is being presented as part of a series of programs at Holy Blossom Synagogue on Kristall-Nacht.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8
8:00 p.m. Pride of Israel
59 Lissom Cr. North York
"QUIET HEROES - CHRISTIANS RESCUING JEWS"
Andre Stein, psychotherapist and author of Broken Silence.

8:00 p.m. Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda
100 Elder St. North York
"HOLOCAUST HEROISM IN SONG AND POETRY"
Cantor Louis Danto; Charles Heller & The Zemer Chorale; Nathan Garnick.

8:00 p.m. Beth Torah
47 Glenbrooke Ave. North York
"JOURNEY TO THE DARK SIDE - THE THEORY AND PRACTICE OF HOLOCAUST DENIAL"
Manuel Prutschi, National Director, Community Relations, Canadian Jewish Congress.

8:00 p.m. Shaarei Shomayim
470 Glencairn Ave. North York
"A VIEW FROM THE FOREST"
Photographs and Personal Recollection; Faye Shulman - Partisan, Artist and Photographer.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9
8:00 p.m. Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am
55 Yeomans Road North York
"FROM KRISTALLNACHT TO JEWISH EVANGELISM - THE CONTINUING BATTLE FOR THE JEWISH SOUL" Bernie Farber, Director of Research, Canadian Jewish Congress.

8:00 p.m. Beth Avraham Yoseph
613 Clarke Ave. W. Thornhill
"UNHEEDED CRY - THE LIFE OF RABBI WEISS MANDEL" Rabbi Z. Wolkenstein, Director, Albert J. Latner Jewish Public Library will review the recent biography by Abraham Fuchs, and other literature on Holocaust rescue efforts.

8:00 p.m. Beth Tikvah
3080 Bayview Ave. North York
ENDURANCE:
CHRONICLES OF JEWISH RESISTANCE
Reflections by Amnon Ajzenstadt, author and survivor, on his experiences during the Holocaust.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10
1:30 p.m. Bernard Betel Centre
1003 Steeles Ave. W. North York
"THE RIGHTEOUS GENTILE; WHAT ONE MAN CAN DO"
Michael Mason, National Chairman, Raoul Wallenberg Remembrance Committee.

8:00 p.m. Temple Har Zion
7360 Bayview Ave. Thornhill
"THE HOLOCAUST AND HOPE: AN EDUCATOR'S TOUR OF POLAND, GERMANY AND ISRAEL."
Alan Shefman, Director, League For Human Rights, B'nai Brith, and a group of secondary school teachers will speak on their recent trip.

8:00 p.m. Adath Israel
37 Southbourne Ave. North York
"PASSING ON THE MESSAGE"
Donia Clenman, author and lecturer; Isaiah Kuperstein, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, Washington, D.C.; Slide Show *"Remember the Children"*, an exhibit for children about the Holocaust from Washington D.C.; an audio visual presentation on the Children's Memorial at Yad Vashem. For children aged 8+.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11
8:30 p.m. Temple Solel
2399 Folkway Dr. Mississauga
"SURVIVORS REMEMBER"
A panel of survivors chaired by Rabbi Lawrence Englander will discuss their experiences during the Holocaust.

8:00 p.m. Beth Tzedec
1700 Bathurst St. Toronto
"THE HOLOCAUST: A LEGACY OF HATE."
Professor Emil Fackenheim, noted philosopher and author.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12
10:00 a.m. Beth Tzedec
1700 Bathurst St. Toronto
"TO REMEMBER IS TO SAFEGUARD OUR TOMORROW"
Professor Emil Fackenheim will speak from the pulpit.

8:00 p.m. Shaarei Shomayim
Concregation North York
"FROM MEMORY TO VISION"
Dr. Daniel Tropper. Founder of The Gesher Foundation.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13
1:00 p.m. Beth Sholom
1450 Eglinton Ave. W. Toronto
"OUR PRECIOUS LEGACY: FROM KRISTALL-NACHT TO ISRAEL'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY"
Rabbi Irwin Witty, Director, Board of Jewish Education along with students who recently travelled to Poland and Israel on the "Walk of the Living" trip will recount their experiences; songs and music by Jenny Eisenstein and Kim Kowarski; art, photo and book displays; babysitting available.

8:00 p.m. Beth David B'nai Israel
Beth Am Synagogue 55 Yeomans Rd., North York
"A HISTORIAN'S TESTIMONY:
THERE WERE NO INNOCENT BYSTANDERS"
Prof. Irving Abella, Prof. of History, Glendon College, York University.

Display of Holocaust Literature
Albert J. Latner Public Library (635-2996).
Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St.
Open Mon., Tues, 10:30-6:30; Thurs., 12-8;
Fri., 9-5; Sun 10-5.

Holocaust Education and Memorial Centre contains audiovisual presentation, Archives, artifacts and resource material (635-2883) 4600 Bathurst St.
Hours: Tues, Thurs, 1-4:30; Thurs. eve, 7-9;
Sunday, 11-4:30; Group Visit by appointment, admission free.

"FIFTY YEARS AFTER KRISTALL-NACHT: THE HOLOCAUST IN PERSPECTIVE" Holy Blossom Synagogue will present a series of lectures each Monday evening at 8 p.m. from October 17th to December 5th, 1988. Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St., Toronto.

Prof. Emil Fackenheim will speak at Beth Tzedec Synagogue as part of the Sam and Sarah Kerzner Holocaust Institute.

The Holocaust Education Week Committee would like to thank the Business and Professional Women's Division of United Jewish Appeal for its support.

All locations are wheelchair accessible.

For further information call: Mark Freedman, 635-2883

Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

DEADLINE CHANGES

Because of the increasing pressure on both the editorial and production staff, the deadline for the What's New and About People columns has been moved back to Thursdays, two weeks prior to publication date (i.e. deadline for Nov. 10 issue is Thursday, Oct. 27, and deadline for Nov. 17 issue is Thursday, Nov. 3). Please remember that material should reach me at least three weeks prior to the date of the event.

If you wish to reach me by phone, I will be at my desk on Thursdays to receive your calls.

As organizations, for the most part, have programs planned well in advance, I hope that this new deadline schedule will not inconvenience you.

Thursday, Oct. 27

BOWLATHON

Friends of Camp Northland is having a reunion bowlathon on Thursday, Oct. 27, at 8 p.m. at Bathurst Bowlerama, Bathurst and Glencairn. Come in a costume.

Tickets at the door are $10 members, $12 non-members. Proceeds will go to benefit Camp Northland, B'nai B'rith.

For information, contact **Lyle** at 444-0434.

FUNDING OF PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Dream or Reality, a forum on public funding of private schools, is being sponsored by the Parents Council of Hebrew Day Schools on Thursday, Oct. 27, at 8 p.m. at Associated Hebrew Schools, 3630 Bathurst St.

The panelists will be **MPP Diane Poole**, chairman of the select committee on education; **Lyle McBurney**, executive director of the Ontario Association of Alternative Independent Schools; and **Murray Segal**, chairman of the Ontario Jewish Association for Equity in Education. The moderator will be **Bernie Farber**, associate director of Canadian Jewish Congress Community Relations.

Friday, Oct. 28

MUSICAL HAPPY HOUR

On Friday, Oct. 28, concert pianist **Lola Julitta Burns** will perform at Lincoln Place Nursing Home, 429 Walmer Rd., in a program of birthday celebrations and semi-classical and popular music. The time is 2.15 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 30

COUNCIL OF BROTHERHOODS

On Sunday morning, Oct. 30, the Toronto Council of Jewish brotherhoods is holding its annual installation breakfast at Beth Sholom Synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W. Services will commence at 9 a.m. followed by breakfast.

The speaker will be **Prof. Arthur Kruger**, principal of Woodsworth College, University of Toronto, and his topic will be The Jewish Community.

Tickets are $4 per person and everyone is welcome. For tickets and information, call **Dave Gould** at 787-8530 or **Bernie Parl** at 783-1676.

A SURVIVOR'S TESTIMONY

In commemoration of the 5th yahrzeit of **Rabbi Albert Pappenheim** and the 50th anniversary of Kristallnacht, Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am is offering a series on The Holocaust: Four Testimonies.

The first will take place on Sunday, Oct. 30, at 8 p.m. with **Rabbi Abraham Feffer** presenting A Survivor's Testimony: "Why?".

FASHION SHOW AND TEA

Adath Israel Sisterhood's annual fashion show and tea is set for Sunday, Oct. 30, at the synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave.

The show, with fashions by Vernon-Vernon, Yeteve, and Lony G. Ltd., and furs by Green Bros. Fur Mfg. Ltd., is at 2 p.m. Tea will be served following the show.

Admission is $15 per person.

ABOUT ISRAELI ELECTIONS

A Guide to the Upcoming Israeli Elections is the topic of the special lecture sponsored by Shaarei Shomayim adult education committee on Sunday, Oct. 30. The speaker will be Toronto lawyer **Israel Bolter**.

The lecture will begin at 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. The public is invited. Refreshments will follow.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Apter Friendly Society is holding a memorial service for Apter relatives who perished in the Holocaust on Sunday, Oct. 30, at 11 a.m. at Bathurst Lawn Cemetery, Bathurst St. (north of Finch). **Rabbi Moshe Stern** will conduct the service with **Cantor H. Weiner**.

Immediately after, the group will proceed to Shaarei Tefillah Congregation, 3600 Bathurst St., where the main service will take place with Rabbi Stern as speaker.

Bring your children and young people so that they may also pay tribute to the memory of the former Jewish town of Apt.

Brunch will be served after the main service.

OPERA AUDITIONS

On Sunday, Oct. 30, Texaco Canada in association with the Metropolitan Opera National Council will sponsor district auditions in Toronto. The purpose of the auditions is to discover new talent throughout North America.

Young opera singers from Montreal, Buffalo, Syracuse and Rochester as well as Toronto will be competing in this event. All singers entering will receive evaluations of their voices from the judges and the winners will receive financial awards.

Finals of the district auditions are open to the public and will be held at on Sunday, Oct. 30, at 8 p.m. in the Walter Hall of the Edward Johnson Building, University of Toronto.

DYSAUTONOMIA FUND RAISING

The Dysautonomia Foundation's Toronto and Tikvah Chapters' 7th annual fund raising event was held at the home of Irving and Dorothy Schoichet recently. From left are Bertha Lapidus, tea convenor; Evelyn Pelman, financial secretary; Bertha Dermer, founding president; Dorothy Schoichet, hostess, and Adele Paisley, co-convenor.

CULTURAL SERIES

Congregation Habonim, 5 Glen Park Ave., (Bathurst and Glencairn area), welcomes you to the first in its cultural series of the season on Sunday, Oct. 30, at 2.30 p.m. when **Selma Sage** will speak on Life and Marriage in Biblical Times.

Admission at the door is $1.50 which includes refreshments.

CHAI SINGLES

At the Chai Singles, 39 plus, meeting on Sunday, Oct. 30, learn how your writing reflects your personality with handwriting expert **Ellie Gordon**. So join the group and bring a friend for fun and refreshments at 8 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave.

For more information, call 367-2143 or 656-3687.

GRAND SOCIETY MEETING

The GRAND Society (Grandparents Requesting Access and Dignity) will be meeting on Sunday, Oct. 30, at 1.30 p.m. at 16 Spadina Rd.

There is a $2 fee at the door for non-members. For information, call 469-5471.

BAZAAR AND SALE

The date of the bazaar and sale run by Sheppard Place Social Club, originally scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 16, has been changed to Sunday, Oct. 30, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 4455 Bathurst St.

Monday, Oct. 31

CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM SERIES

Shaar Shalom Synagogue's series on Keeping Jewish Tradition in a Changing World — Is It Possible? Is It Necessary? with **Rabbi Howard Markose**, continues on Monday, Oct. 31, with Philosophy of Conservative Judaism: Do Theory and Practice Differ?

The lecture takes place at the synagogue, 2 Simonston Blvd., Thornhill, at 8 p.m. For information, call the synagogue office at 889-4975.

THE HOLOCAUST IN PERSPECTIVE

The third lecture of Holy Blossom Temple's series, The Holocaust in Perspective 50 Years After Crystal Night, will deal with The Holocaust in Contemporary Jewish Thought with **Rabbi Dow Marmur**.

The date is Monday, Oct. 31, at 8 p.m. at the temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

Tuesday, Nov. 1

SOMEONE IS LISTENING

You are invited to attend a premiere showing in Toronto of the film Someone is Listening on Tuesday, Nov. 1, at 8 p.m. at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, 100 Elder St.

This film is captioned and signed for hearing and non-hearing persons. It is the story of Jonathan Leiter, a deaf teenager and how he finds the world of Jewish life opening up before him. There are 30 Jewish signs in the film as well as prayers in Hebrew, which are signed.

Discussion and refreshments will follow.

ANTIQUE SALE

Israeli Chapter, Hadassah-WIZO's, 5th annual antique sale, in cooperation with **Harvey Sobel** of Augusta House, Hamilton, will feature a special showing of fine antique silver, furniture, glass and porcelain.

The sale takes place Tuesday, Nov. 1, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the Oak Room, Inn on the Park. Admission and parking are free.

GOURMET COOKING MADE EASY

A reminder that the Gourmet Cooking Made Easy session of the kosher cooking school sponsored by Kashruth Council-Orthodox Division, Toronto Jewish Congress, is set for Tuesday, Nov. 1, at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Tefillah Congregation, 3600 Bathurst St.

For information, call 635-9550.

Wednesday, Nov. 2

FRIENDSHIP: MAKING IT LAST

Friendship: Making It Last is the topic of the Wednesday, Nov. 2, session of Aish HaTorah's Basics series. The time is 8 p.m. at Aish HaTorah Centre, 296A Wilson Ave.

Basics, a series of seminars exploring the wit and wisdom of Judaism, is geared to young professionals, 25-45 years of age.

For information, call 636-7530.

INSTITUTE OF JEWISH STUDIES

Shaarei Tefillah Congregation's fall Institute of Jewish Studies with **Rabbi Moshe Stern** continues on Wednesday, Nov. 2, at 8 p.m. with Dealing With Grief — Mourning and Halacha.

The lecture takes place at the synagogue, 3600 Bathurst St.

ANOREXIA BULIMIA GROUP

The Anorexia Bulimia Family Support Group meets the first Wednesday of each month at North York Branson Hospital, 555 Finch Ave. W. (Finch and Bathurst). The next meeting will be Wednesday, Nov. 2, at 7.30 p.m. in the Trillium Room. All community members are welcome.

For further information, call the National Information Centre for Eating Disorders at 595-4175.

Thursday, Nov. 3

JEWISH CHRISTIAN DIALOGUE

The Jewish Christian Dialogue Group will be meeting on Thursday, Nov. 3, at 7.30 p.m. at the Metropolitan Toronto Reference Library, 789 Yonge St.

For information, call 764-0014 or 234-1958.

And What Else Is New...

CONSERVATIVE CONFERENCE

Canadian Council for Conservative Judaism and Mercaz-Canada inaugural Canadian conference will take place in Toronto on Sunday, Nov. 20, and Monday, Nov. 21.

The theme, Conservative Judaism — A World Movement, will incorporate many workshop sessions plus the celebration of the United Synagogue of America's 75th anniversary. The keynote speaker will be **Rabbi Ismar Schorsch**, chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

The anniversary celebration, a dinner-dance and cabaret on Sunday, the 20th, will feature the keynote address by Rabbi Schorsch plus entertainment by **Marvin Rosenshein, Susan Kerbel-Brown, Alan Feiman** and the **Cooper Sisters**.

The conference is being hosted by Beth Tikvah and Beth Tzedec Congregations.

The registration fee of $85 includes registration kit, workshops, meals and the 75th anniversary celebration. The fee for the Sunday evening dinner/keynote address and program only is $50 per person.

For further information about individual ses-

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sions or dinner reservations (by Nov. 8), call 789-0579.

CLASSICS TO KIBBUTZ

Circle Sunday, Nov. 6, on your calendar. That's the date that the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation, Toronto Chapter, is presenting Classics to Kibbutz — A Children's Concert, an informal journey from Europe to modern Israel through music and storytelling for children ages 5 and up. The narrator will be **Barbara Budd**, an actress, singer and radio announcer for CBC.

The time is 1 p.m. at Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

Tickets are $6 child, $12 adult. For ticket information, call CICF at 921-2103.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT PROGRAMS

The Benjamin Institute is a bereavement support program operating within the Jewish community. The objective of this program is to provide death awareness education and bereavement support services.

Starting the first week in November and running for seven weeks, the institute is offering Bereavement Support and Bereavement Art Therapy Groups. As well as groups for adults, there are also groups for children and adolescents. All are led by mental health professionals experienced in counselling bereaved families.

The fee is $100 inclusive of materials. Registration is limited. For registration and more information, call **Michelle Goodman** or **Illana Perlman** at 881-9477.

VOLUNTEERS FOR ISRAEL

Canadian Volunteers for Israel offers a unique work program that also includes three weeks room and board (kosher), side trips, tours and lectures.

The charge is $650 all-inclusive on El Al Unity Mission leaving Jan. 3. A special bonus — first-come applicants may request supply base at Eilat.

For information, call 781-6089.

CZF EVENTS

Here's a list of some Canadian Zionist Federation events taking place this week at the CZF Zionist Centre, 3910 Bathurst St., Suite 203 —

The program for Israeli high school students (conducted in Hebrew), given in conjunction with Zhabr, continues on Sunday, Oct. 30. The time is 2 p.m. for ages 12-14, and 4 p.m. for ages 14-19. For information, call **Gal** at 661-0859.

Let's Talk Israel program will feature **Col. Yaacov Erez**, national director, Canadian Association for Labor Israel, as guest speaker at the regular discussion group on Tuesday, Nov. 1, at 8 p.m. The subject will be Current Problems in the Administered Territories. There is no charge. For further information, call 633-3988.

The second of a 10-week structured study program, Facts About Israel, will be held Thursday, Nov. 3, at 8 p.m. The lecturer, **Consul Oren David**, will speak on The Israel Political System. There is no charge for this program which is sponsored in association with the Education and Torah Department of the World Zionist Organization. For further information, call 633-3988.

HEBREW U ALUMNI BARBECUE

The kickoff event for this season's activities of the Hebrew University Alumni of Canada in Toronto was a barbecue at the home of Hebrew University alumnus Rhonda Flatt, seen here (left) with Toronto Alumni chairman Mark Halpern. Michael Shulman, president of the Toronto Friends of Hebrew University, was the guest speaker. The event was held to welcome back those who studied at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem last year. [Graphic Artists photo]

MT. SINAI MASONIC LODGE

Mount Sinai Masonic Lodge will be celebrating its 75th anniversary on May 13, 1989.

To mark the occasion, the lodge is putting together a commemorative booklet and is asking for memorabilia, artifacts, happenings, medals, pins and such relating to the lodge through the years.

If you have any material that you think would be of interest, send it to **Leonard Levy**, 130 Brighton Ave., Downsview, M3H 4C8. Or call him at 633-3213.

ISRAEL TRIP IN MAY

The Canadian Association for Labor Israel and the Labor Zionist Alliance (Farband) will be running a combined trip to Israel leaving May 4, 1989, for two weeks, to coincide with Yom Ha'atzmaut celebrations. The tour will also include official ribbon-cutting for some Toronto projects.

More details will be forthcoming in the near future.

WONDERFUL WORLD OF OPERETTAS

Congregation Habonim's breakfast club invites you to hear musicologist **Susan Stern** speaking on European operettas (Lehar, Strauss, Kalman) with taped music and explanatory background on authors and singers.

It all takes place on Sunday, Nov. 6, at 10 a.m. at the synagogue, 12 Hollaman Rd. (Bathurst and Glencairn). The charge for breakfast and the program is $5 per person.

ISRAELI DANCE WORKSHOP 88

The Israeli Dance Workshop 88 with **Israel Yakovee** is set for Saturday, Nov. 26, and Sunday, Nov. 27, at the Jewish Community Centre Bloor Y, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor).

Sessions will be held on Saturday at 8 p.m. (workshop and request dancing) and Sunday from 2.30-5 p.m. and 7.30-10 p.m.

The price is $7 Saturday, $6 Sunday (per session), or $17 complete workshop.

For further information, contact **Teme Kernerman** or **Elaine Berk** at the JCC north branch, 4588 Bathurst St. The telephone number is 636-1880.

Out of towners wishing information and hospitality should write or phone **Lisa Newman**, 570 Briar Hill Ave., Toronto, M5N 1M9, phone (416) 489-0212.

BBW MARKHAM-UNIONVILLE

B'nai B'rith Women Markham-Unionville Chapter is holding a membership acquisition night on Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 8 p.m. at Centennial Centre (McCowan and Hwy 7).

For more information, call **Barbara** at 294-0800.

KIELCER SOCIETY ANNIVERSARY

The Kielcer Sick Benefit Society will be celebrating its 75th anniversary with a dinner and dance on Sunday, Nov. 6, at 6 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

For more information, call 630-5880.

ATIDEYNU HAPPENINGS

Atideynu Lodge, B'nai B'rith Canada, is presenting a Car Rally With a Difference on Sunday, Oct. 30, starting off at the B'nai B'rith Building, 15 Hove St., at 1.30 p.m. For information call **Dorian** at 447-8998 or **David** at 763-6564.

For the monthly movie night on Tuesday, Nov. 1, meet in front of the theatre at Yorkdale at 6.30 p.m. (early movie) and then go for coffe afterwards. Bring a friend along.

FOLKDANCING

You are invited to join in 10 sessions of international and Israeli folkdancing at Shaar Shalom Synagogue, 2 Simonston Blvd., Thornhill. This will be a beginners class led by **Sandy Starkman** beginning Thursday, Nov. 3, at 8 p.m. and continuing on alternate Thursdays.

The fee is $30 for the 10 sessions. If you are interested, contact **Maya Burkes** at 764-1450 or the synagogue office at 889-4975.

VEGETARIAN BANQUET

The vegetarian buffet banquet sponsored by the Canadian Natural Hygiene Society on Sunday, Nov. 13, takes place at the Latvian Canadian Cultural Centre, 4 Credit Union Dr. (along Eglinton east of the Don Valley Parkway), beginning at 6 p.m.

The master of ceremonies will be **Raymond Aaron** and the special guest speaker will be **Gerry Morris**. Entertainment will feature **Lilliam Amos** at the piano, a dance routine by **Kitty Cohen** and a performance by the Ensemble Singers of the Toronto Jewish Folk Choir under the direction of **Voltr Ivonoffski**.

The cost is $25 per person. RSVP by Nov. 5 by calling the The Canadian Natural Hygiene Society at 781-0359.

EVENING OF LAUGHTER

At the Evening of Laughter hosted by Merrijoy Kelner for Canadian Friends of Tel Aviv University and addressed by Prof. Avner Ziv of Tel Aviv University, lecturer, author and authority on the psychology of humor, are (from left) Stanley Witkin, Toronto chairman of CFTAU; Merrijoy Kelner, Prof, Ziv and Jeannie Tanenbaum.

JSU/HILLEL U OF T

The Friday, Oct. 28, Shabbat dinner at the Jewish Students' Union/Hillel House, 604 Spadina Ave., begins at 6.30 p.m. The cost is $6 with JSU card, $7 without card and free to residence students with a card.

Call the office at 923-9861 to reserve.

THE WA CAFE

The WA Cafe (Women's Auxiliary) situated in the atrium of Baycrest Centre, provides an airy atmosphere for brunching, lunching and relaxation.

The cafe has extended its hours to 7 p.m. daily and is open Sundays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. serving the very best "toast of the town" brunch. Do drop in for a delightful kosher eating experience.

ILLUSIONS 88

Beth Tikvah Sisterhood's gala evening and auction, Illusions 88, taking place at the synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., on Saturday, Nov. 5, promises lots of fun and excitment.

For instance, if you like to go up and away, you can bid on a helicopter ride with **Henry Shannon** of CFRB, or a hot air balloon champagne flight for four, or a half-hour sight seeing flight over Toronto, or even a return ticket from Toronto to Tel Aviv. If you prefer more earthbound adventure, there's theatre and opera tickets (Phantom of the Opera, Tosca), a private screening for 35 guests, antique silver, fitness classes and even a catered (kosher) cocktail party for 15, and much, much more!

The evening begins with hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, wine and music at 7.30 when you can register and preview the items until 9. Bidding begins at 9 sharp. The evening ends with coffee and gourmet desserts.

The master of ceremonies is CBC radio host **David Schatzky** and the auctioneer is **Henry Kahn**.

Admission is $15 per person. For information, call the synagogue office at 221-3433.

AT THE KOFFLER GALLERY

There's still time to catch the Faberge and Russian Enamel Workmasters exhibit on view at the Koffler Gallery until Wednesday, Nov. 2.

The gallery, a branch of the Jewish Community Centre, is located at 4588 Bathurst St.

NATIONAL POETRY CONTEST

The League of Canadian Poets announces that the 2nd annual National Poetry Contest is underway. This year three prizes will be awarded — $1,000, $750, and $500 — and 50 poems, including the three winners, will be published in a second anthology.

The deadline for submissions is Dec. 1. The winners will be announced on May 6, 1989, in London, Ont., at the League's annual general meeting to be held at the University of Western Ontario.

Details for entering the contest may be obtained by calling the League office at 363-5047 in Toronto.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Community Association for Riding for the Disabled (CARD) helps the disabled to ride horses as a therapeutic and recreational aid. Volunteers are needed to assist the riders. The program is offered mornings, afternoons, evenings and weekends for three hours per week. Training is offered.

If you are interested, call North York Volunteer Centre at 481-6194.

COURT AHAVAS ACHEM IOF

Court Ahavas Achem, Independent Order of Foresters, is holding a dance with a live band, light refreshments and super door prizes on Saturday, Nov. 5, from 8-11 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre (Sheppard and Bathurst).

Admission is $5 per person. Bring all your friends. For information, call **Eva** at 636-8223 or **Jackie** at 731-8241.

BUILDING SELF-ESTEEM

Building Self-Esteem and Gaining Independence is a 7-week free group program offered by Opportunity for Advancement for women on government assistance. The program is held two mornings a week and begins Thursday, Nov. 3. TTC tickets and child care are provided.

To register, call 787-1481.

BENEFIT CONCERT

Parents in Transition, a non-profit organiza-

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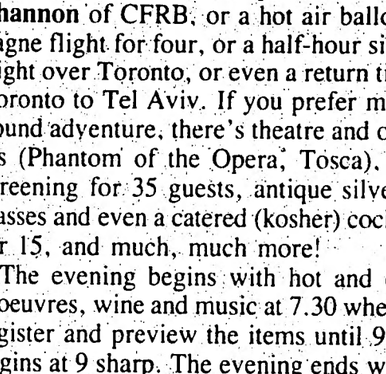

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Organizations and People

What's New

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tion for parents of teenagers, is presenting its 2nd annual benefit concert on Saturday, Nov. 5, at 8 p.m. at Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

The program, entitled Humor, Heart and Harmony, will be a potpourri of musical magic featuring vocalists **Gaynor Jones** and **David Walden**, violinist **Sheldon Gratke** and pianist **David Low**.

Tickets are $10. Call 481-4543 and order your tickets today.

at the jcc

The Jewish Community Centre Bloor Y branch, 750 Spadina Ave., is presenting its 2nd annual Sunday Concerts for Kids series. The first of the 3-concert series takes place Nov. 13, at 2 p.m. and features Juno award-winning singer **Charlotte Diamond**. Then recording artsists **Rick & Judy** appear on Feb. 12, and the folk group, The Travellers, on April 16. Tickets for the three concerts are $21 and can be obtained at the Bloor Y (924-6211), the North Y (636-1880), the JCC North-East Valley branch (889-0813), The Children's Book Store (535-7011) and Kidstuff (535-2212). For further information, call 924-6211.

A singles dance and masquarade party with an all-you-can-eat buffet, dancing and music, is set for Thursday, Oct. 27, at the Bloor Y. For information, call **Bill Emery** at 924-6211.

The JCC North-East Valley Singles Network is holding a dance and costume party on Sunday, Oct. 30, at 8.30 p.m. at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Admission is $7. For information, call 889-0813.

for seniors

The Learning Experience Program at the Jewish Community Centre north branch, 4588 Bathurst St., is presenting **Ted Snider** and associates from the Snider Financial Group Inc., who will conduct an informative seminar on Retirement Financial Planning on Tuesday, Nov. 1. This is an opportunity to discuss the new tax reforms and concepts as well as your personal needs with professionals. The time is 1 p.m. in the Senior Lounge. For further information, contact **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club, 470 Glencairn Ave., announces that Tai Chai continues on Monday mornings at 10. This is free for paid-up members...Exercise programs are held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10-11 a.m...A musical afternoon with pianist **Nancy Claitman** is planned for Monday, Nov. 7, at 1 p.m. Refreshments will be served. The charge is $1.50 members, $2 guests...The Hawaiian trip has left for a wonderful holiday...For information about all activities, call **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923.

Earl Bales Seniors' Club is holding a dance with a live band on Sunday, Oct. 30, from 8-11 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre (in the park at Sheppard and Bathurst). The cost is $3 members, $4 non-members. Refreshments are available...Good usable and saleable items are being accepted for the bazaar scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 6...The film, That's Entertainment, will be screened on Wednesday, Nov. 8, at 2 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Admission is free for members, $1 for non-members...A concert is planned for Thursday, Nov. 10, so keep the date open. Details will be announced at a later date...For further information, call 636-7856, 10 a.m. to 3.45 p.m.

Bloor Y Seniors activities for this week include — Monday, Oct. 31, bridge lessons and playing, 1-3.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Nov. 2, current events group, 2-4 p.m.; Wednesday, Nov. 2, music and song, 1.30-3 p.m.; Thursday, Nov. 3, fitness for fun with former Broadway dancer **Cynthia Barrett Neuman**, 12.30-1.15 p.m., and **David Goldberg** speaks from 2-4 p.m. The Bloor Y is located at 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor). The phone number is 924-6211.

Workmen's Circle Social Club will be meeting for luncheon and entertainment with dancing by **George and Sharon Frank** on Tuesday, Nov. 1, at 11.30 a.m. at 471 Lawrence Ave. W...The Miami trip is going quickly. There may be some seats for the 5-, 6-, 7-, and 9-week stays. Don't wait! Come out and sign up. For information, call **Shirley Grotell** at 222-7727 or **Max Glick** at 226-4093.

Rabbi David Monson will be the guest speaker at the **Beth Sholom Seniors** meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 2, at 7.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W. For information, call **Eve Donsky**, vice-president and publicity chairman, at 782-1068.

The LZA Seniors Club meets daily at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave., from noon to 4 p.m. for an afternoon of cards, chess and discussion...Shuffleboard teams meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7.30 p.m. with refreshments served...The Cultural Circle meets on Tuesdays at 10 a.m...Bingo is held every second Wednesday afternoon at 2 under the chairmanship of **Morris Goren**...The next payment of $500 for the Miami trip is now due. There are still some seats left for the 5-, 7-, or 9-week stays. **Libby Ravka** will be at the Borochov Centre on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to noon for the next few weeks for registration and collection of payments. The balance is due Nov. 5. For details, phone 782-2059 or 833-8579.

Young at Heart Seniors is arranging a 2-, 4-, 6-, or 8-week Miami trip. The 4-week trip is $1,600 and includes a Bahamas cruise to Freeport, hotel accommodations, airfare, medical and hospital insurance, gratuities, shopping trip and more. For more information, call 635-6343 or 462-0258 from 8-9 a.m. or 7-11 p.m.

Club Chaverim of the JCC North-East Valley meets on Monday afternoons from 1-3 at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St. For information, call 889-0813.

Sunshine Travel Group, 55 plus, invites you to join in the Florida trip at the Colonial Inn (with oceanfront in North Miami Beach), starting Jan. 10. You can choose a shorter or longer stay. The tour includes air transportation, complete insurance package, transfers from airport, all gratuities, limousine service from home, live floor shows, plus much, much more. Membership is not required. There are only a few rooms left. For information, call **Sylvia** at 730-0503.

The Diamond Jubilee Club, which meets at 968 Eglinton Ave., W., upstairs, is open for your entertainment such as dancing and dancercise with **Ada Goldblatt**, crafts, cards, movies, travel and refreshments. Come out and enjoy on Sunday afternoons at 2. For information, call 782-5024...The club has appointed artist **Tutzi Seguin** to teach arts and crafts in her studio. There is no fee for seniors, just a charge for materials. For information, call her at 783-0781.

At the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave. — The Canadian Israeli Club Aluma invites you to join the new Wednesday afternoon program for Israelis 55 years of age and over who enjoy socializing and good Hebrew conversation. The group meets from 2-3.30 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge. For information, call *Shelley Dunkelman* at 789-5131, ext. 2273 days or **Ephraim Dloomy** at 631-7546 evenings...The Creative Musical Variety Show of the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living will be performing on Sunday, Oct. 30, from 2-3 p.m. in the Assembly Room.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

An all candidates meeting for Ward 7, City of North York, is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 2, at 1.30 p.m. in the auditorium. This event is open to the community and is free of charge.

The Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI) is presenting a seminar on Monday, Oct. 31, entitled Save Money, Save Taxes, Increase Your Income with **Murray Sherr** and **Bunny Bergstein** of the Sherr, Bergstein and Crackower Agency. The time is 10.30 a.m. There is no charge. For information, contact **Bookie Kwart** at 225-2112.

Any information about special events, day trips and long tours can be obtained by calling **Barbara Zigler** at 225-2112.

About People

HONORED BY BIALIK SCHOOL

Bialik Hebrew Day School board of directors honored **Bayla Chaikof** at an evening reception recently, attended by 150 people. This celebration was in recognition of her 16 years of service to the school. During that time she has served in several capacities including pre-school coordinator, curriculum consultant, and vice-principal.

Bayla Chaikof

Speakers included **Joey Steiner**, chairman of the board of directors; **Julie Sokoloff**, past chairman of the board; **Ziona Hagler**, who represented the teachers, and **Deanna Peranson**, who spoke on behalf of the parents.

MIRIAM MARCUS ART EXHIBIT

An exhibition of paintings by **Miriam Marcus**, formerly of Montreal, is on view at the Don Mills Regional Library, 888 Lawrence Ave. E, from Nov. 1-30.

Her work is mainly with mixed media — watercolor, ink and pastel. Many of her compositions were done in Israel, Mexico, Spain and Bali. People at leisure, at the theatre, and the performers are subjects of her paintings. Sometimes she paints directly on the theatre program. There are also birds and boats and flowers in this collection.

In Montreal, Marcus taught biology at Baron Bing High School (1937-44) and Northmount High School (1957-70). She would enjoy seeing any of her former students who now live in Toronto. She will be present at the show on the afternoon of Nov. 5.

For further information about the show, contact the library at 449-3711.

HAR TIKVAH BOARD

Har Tikvah Congregation of Brampton, serving Jewish families and singles in the Region of Peel, Georgetown and Orangeville, has announced its board of directors for 1988-89.

Abby Leitner is president with **Stan Corbett**, vice-president; **Rochelle Guilford**, secretary-treasurer; **Betty-Ann Goldstein**, cultural-religious chairman; **Alan Turner**, building; **Maureen Rich**, education; **Esther Turner**, bingo, and **Evan Liebovitch**, fund raising.

If you would like additional information about services, education classes or social events, call 792-7589.

STOPNITZER LADIES AIDS SOLDIERS

The Stopnitzer Ladies Club has once again shown concern for the brave young men and women of Zahal by raising $15,000 at the annual tea for the Toronto Branch of the Association for Soldiers of Israel. At the plaque presentation are (from left) Mrs. C. Mahler, vice-president; Mrs. L. Feintuch, secretary; Mrs. H. Markowitz, president; Gordon Mendly, chairman for organizations of the ASI; Mrs. J. Wine, top fund raiser, and Mrs. S. Farbiasz.

singles events

Singles Events is an advertising feature of the Canadian Jewish News. ***Deadline is Monday, 5:00 p.m., 10 days preceding issue date.*** *For rates or to place an ad, please call Shayla at 422-2528.*

Party-Time Productions presents — Singles Party at Hannibals, 5075 Yonge Street, North of Sheppard. "Come to a party with class." Sunday, November 6th, 7:30 p.m. $5.00 before 8:30, $6.00 after.

Costume Party, October 27, 1988. 7:00 - 11:00 p.m. at the Bloor JCC (corner of Bloor and Spadina). Prizes for most creative costumes! $10.00 per person.

Chai Singles 39 plus — Sunday, October 30, Handwriting expert Ellie George. Learn how your writing reflects your personality. Join us and bring a friend for fun and refreshments. 8:00 p.m., Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview. Members $4.00, Visitors $6.00. For more information 367-2143 or 656-3687.

Party at Tangerine. Sunday, October 30, 8:00 p.m. Tickets $7.00. For details see classified, column 28.

Galut Judaism rapped

By GLORIA DEUTSCH

TORONTO —

With an impassioned plea for the Jews of the Diaspora to settle in Israel, Rabbi Shlomo Riskin concluded his interpretation of the philosophies of Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik and Rabbi Abraham Isaac Kook in a lecture organized by Toronto Mizrachi.

"The Judaism of the Diaspora has become a crooked Judaism," he said, quoting from his spiritual mentor, Kook. "You care about cholov Yisroel and glatt kosher, but you forget about Israel and Yerushalayim."

Riskin, a youthful grandfather, made aliya several years ago, leaving Lincoln Square Synagogue in New York to found the West Bank settlement of Efrat, and reputedly taking many of his congregants with him.

A disciple of Soloveitchik and one of his outstanding pupils, the charismatic Riskin held his audience of nearly 500 people enthralled with his biblical exegesis, comparing the thoughts of the two leading exponents of religious Zionism in the 20th century.

Discussing Soloveitchik's 1965 work The Lonely Man of Faith, Riskin examined the questions raised by him on the two differing accounts of Adam's creation in Genesis.

"In chapter one G-d created man in the divine image to fill the earth and sudue it (kivshua)," he explained. "In the second chapter a very different human being emerges, taken from the dust of the earth, and commanded to till the land, not conquer it."

Soloveitchik's explanation is that there are two sides to every human being — homo actus, the creative majestic man capable of conquering the world" who can go into a desert and make a garden" and homo factus, the sensitive, contemplative man who yearns not merely to create and transform but to relate to fellow humans spiritually.

"Homo actus has majesty but lacks redemption," said Riskin and gave the example of David HaMelech who unified the people of Israel but could not bring peace to his own house.

"He was an Adam One and not an Adam Two," explained the rabbi, concluding that Soloveitchik sees himself as the lonely man of faith because he feels shut out, a lone voice, one who yearns for Adam Two in a society which is only ready to accept Adam One.

Kook too recognizes the existence of two aspects of the human persona, as exemplified in the stories of Esau and Jacob, and Yosef and Yehuda, but for him creative majesty and spiritual redemption must go hand in hand.

"Just as a body cannot live without a soul, a soul cannot live without a body," said Riskin. "The tragedy of Galut is that we were a soul without a body. With kibbutz galuyot, the ingathering of the exiles, we became whole again, Adam Two reunited with Adam One. For Rav Kook this is only possible with the return Eretz Yisrael."

Riskin said that although Herzl was a totally assimilated Jew, Kook eulogized him in the face of opposition from more blinkered colleagues as "Meshiach Ben Yosef" because he brought us back to Eretz Yisrael.

"I believe Rav Kook provides the only honest answer to Soloveitchik's lonely man," said Riskin.

"He would say 'if you don't want to be lonely, come with me to Eretz Yisrael.' "

Riskin was introduced by Rabbi David Aronson, chairman of the Torah education committee of Mizrachi and Kurt Rothschild, National Mizrachi president, and thanked by Jack Kahn, president of Toronto Mizrachi.

Organizations and People

Researcher looks at herpes virus

Alzheimer's link suspected

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —
The herpes virus which causes cold sores may also be the cause of Alzheimer's Disease, says a Canadian researcher.

Dr. Melvyn Ball, director of the Dementia Study Laboratory at University of Western Ontario, said he is giving priority to research on the virus to find out if at times it travels to the brain instead of to the face.

"We know it is there somewhere, portions of it may be hiding," he said, speaking to a meeting at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am synagogue sponsored by the Toronto committee for Ezrath Nashim Hospital in Jerusalem.

His research is centered on areas near the hippocampus, the part of the brain in which memory circuitry is located. "We're wondering if this is a possible solution," he said. Unfortunately, tracing the pathway of the virus is a slow process, Ball noted.

A million Canadians will have Alzheimer's Disease in 40 to 60 years if the trend in the U.S. is followed in Canada, which Ball expects it will.

It was his experience with the disease as it affected his late grandmother, Toba Goldstein, which convinced him to devote his career to research on Alzheimer's, he said.

"She languished in Baycrest for 10 years. They said it was hardening of the arteries. First she lost the ability to speak English, then she lost Yiddish. It was a tremendous burden on the family."

Ball said there was a lot of excitement about a year ago when four different researchers published papers claiming that Alzheimer's was the result of an abnormal chromosome 21, the same one implicated in Down's Syndrome and Parkinson's Disease.

"But the story has changed in the last six or seven months," he said. "That research was based on only four families. Research since has indicated that that gene is not likely involved. The evidence is conflicting and more research is needed."

But the UWO scientist did not rule out a genetic basis completely, noting that six to eight members of some families have the disease. But he offered the opinion that there is a co-factor present as well as the genetic predisposition in the case of these families.

Underlining the need for financing more research into the disease, Ball said: "Every hour, the Canadian government spends $4 million on health care and only $16,000 on medical research."

There is a possibly significant link between Alzheimer's and Down's Syndrome, he said, since the retarded who survive to age 45 show the same changes in the brain after 45 as people with Alzheimer's.

He told of a U.S. colleague, Dr. Stanley Rappaport's study of a mildly retarded adult who dressed neatly, worked in a sheltered workshop and got along well with people.

"But at age 46 the man's behavior changed greatly for the worse. A brain scan showed that there was a lot less activity than normal in parts of his brain.

"He died at age 47 and parts of his brain were sent to our laboratory at Western where we found that this patient had the lowest number of nerve cells in that part of the brain that we had ever seen."

A member of the advisory medical board of Ezrath Nashim hospital, Ball said Alzheimer's is not the result of the aging process alone. Only 10% of people over 65 develop Alzheimer's so it cannot be related to aging, he argued. If we could all live to be 150, we could find out how important in the disease the aging process is.

On a lighter note, he said: "If you forget where your eyeglasses are, it's benign forgetfulness. If you forget that you wear glasses, that's dementia."

By the year 2000, life expectancy in Canada will be 75 for men and 82 for women, he said. By 2050, one-third of the population will be over 65, half of all children born will live to 81 and one in five will develop mental incapacity.

Ball said it costs $90 billion a year in the U.S. to treat Alzheimer's which he described as a "silent epidemic." The disease attacks people in all walks of life, he said, citing Rita Hayworth, Claude Jutra, the Canadian film director, Norah Michener, the late wife of a former Governor-General, and the mother of Liberal leader John Turner.

In answer to a question, Ball said he believes aluminum is not a primary cause of Alzheimer's, but may be a co-factor and still is an open question.

He was introduced by Dr. Stanley Greben, chairman of the professional advisory committee of Ezrath Nashim and thanked by Renee Rubinstein, president of the hospital's Toronto committee. Shula Robin co-ordinated meeting arrangements. Harold Cohen was chairman.

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Advance poll called unfair

NORTH YORK —
Advance polling for municipal elections in Ward 6 is unfair to observant Jews as it falls on a Saturday, says one public school trustee candidate.

Phyllis Weinberg, candidate in Ward 6, says the choice of a Saturday creates an "unfair handicap" for observant Jews who cannot vote on that day. Therefore, she says, Orthodox Jews have access to only one advance polling date.

Further, Weinberg says the second advance poll on Thursday, Nov. 10 is a problem as the location at 2395 Bayview Ave. at Post Rd. in Ward 8 is "far from my constituency" where most of the observant Jews reside.

(Advance polls in North York's 14 ridings have been established in seven locations corresponding to the seven Metro council riding boundaries in North York. Wards 6 and 8 form the Metro riding of North York Centre South and falls roughly between Bathurst St. and Leslie St.)

"This is also unfair because by the time people arrive home from their workplace and have dinner, the distance they have to travel to vote is very far and the polling booths close at 8 p.m." (The advance polls are open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Weinberg wants the board election commission to arrange for an extra polling booth in her ward which is more accessible to her constituents. As well, she would like the Saturday advance poll be switched to Sunday.

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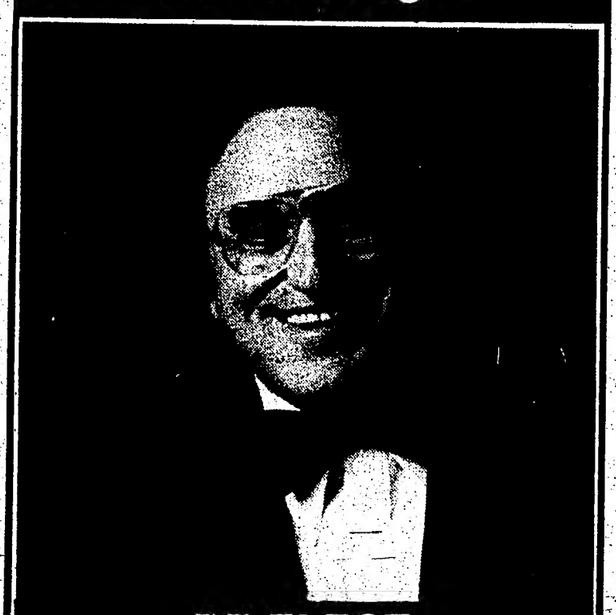

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David Sutin and Jeff Wagman (left) program chairman for Investment Division function at Roy Thomson Hall, chat with speakers Dr. Sherry Atkinson and Stanley Hartt, while Brian Vyner at right, looks on. Vyner is division co-chairman with Harold Wolkin (not in photo).

Invitations have gone out for a New Leadership Council special event scheduled for Monday, November 7.

It's a dinner dance at Casa Loma, at which the special guest is **Shira Herzog Bessin**. Couvert for the gala evening is $60.00 per person, black tie is optional and Kashruth, will of course, be observed.

Dinner chairmen are **Mark Berenblut** and **Peter Chodos**. Along with the chairmen **David Engel** and **Glennie Lindenberg**, those actively involved with NLC are **David Brown, Sheldon Disenhouse, Marilyn Gotfrid, Loretta Levinson, Jill Goldberg Reitman, Naomi Judith Rose** and **Stan Tepner**.

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Not too surprising that activities are running at a fever pitch. These are the crucial months of the campaign. That, of course, means telethons.

There's a big one coming up on Sunday, October 30, that will be combined with a divisional leadership meeting.

The time: 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; the place: room 420, 4600 Bathurst Street.

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When the veteran telethoners come out, you know the campaign's in full swing and in good hands.

This year's opening B'nai Brith telethon was held in combination with Synagogues for a lively Monday evening.

The season's opener attracted the dedicated workers such as: **Max Aiken, Paul Bauer** and his wife, **Sy Caine, Stan Cappe, Howard Chandler, Max Glicksman, Irving Gold, Irving Green, Marshal Jubas, Caspar Koffler**, accompanied by is wife, **Roza Kovalski, CArlyle Krieger. William Leibach, Joe Lester, Eric Levitt, Djordje Popadic, Andy Reti, Al Rich, Leon Rochman, Michael Rosenberg, David Stokes, Sam Unger, David West, Henry Yoskowich** and **Max Zeifman**.

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Things are also humming along in the Women's Campaign office. Immediately following UJA Night, Telethon division co-ordinator **Pauline Maker** arranged for one at the Lipa Green Building. Present were **Ruth Gold, Anita Kirsch, Ruth Ladovsky, Naomi Larry, Lily Leiderman** and **Joan Shapero**.

It's just the beginning ...

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If you were among the more than 600 who attended the JWF/UJA Women's Campaign big night at Beth Tzedec (see story in this edition), we don't have to tell you what a marvellous evening it was from every angle.

It was entertaining, moving, informative, and it succeeded in chalking up sizeable increases over their 1988 gifts from those present. We've also learned that quite a number of new first-time contributors made their commitment. The total, as we write this, is not yet tabulated.

But we can say for sure that there are some very happy faces to be seen in the vicinity of the Women's Campaign office. Heartiest congratulations to progam chairmen **Karen Morton** and **Didi Urbach** and the many women who worked with them.

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A few columns back we made a boo-boo and we would now like to redress our wrong information with an abject apology to **Leslie Gales**, who very good-naturedly brought it to our attention.

Leslie, who is this year's Business & Professional Women's Network co-chairman, said "it's no big deal," but we want to set the record straight.

It was **Leslie**, not her co-chairman **Maxine Granovsky**, as stated, who made the presentation of a figurine to **Susan Maddox** at the recent B&PWN function at the Park Plaza Hotel.

We don't know about Leslie, but we certainly feel better now.

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One division that has made phenomenal strides in the 1989 campaign is Construction and Development, under the very able leadership of its chairman **Cary Solomon**.

A meeting called by Cary brought out an attendance of close to 30 who were treated to a report from members of the recent Young Construction Mission to Israel, plus other pertinent business.

Among those present were: **Mark Diamond, Les Sherman, Karen Chisvin, Yona Gazit, Roger Greenberg, Jeff** and **Stephanie Olin, Barry Zagdanski, Miguel** and **Robert Singer, Brian Medjuch, Mitchell Korman, Sara Samuels, Gordon Wiseman. Laura Starr, Max Zeifman, Jack Frieberg, Keith Jameson, Warren Shear, Larry Saltsman, Risa Cohen, Bob Ziner, Jack Kosoy** and **Mark Silver.**

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That's it for this week.

Organizations and People

Sudbury's Jewish community works hard in order to survive

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

SUDBURY, Ont. —
In this cozy city of 150,000, Jews have to work harder at maintaining their identity.

One reason for that is because Sudbury's declining Jewish community of 23 families has been unable to attract a rabbi for its Orthodox synagogue. Its last spiritual leader — Rabbi Imre Bala who also ran services in North Bay — left for Vancouver four years ago.

"Everyone takes turns. We're all rabbis here," said Mitch Speigel, a business executive and community leader.

No ordained rabbi will accept a position in Sudbury because it's too small, he said.

"The community's quite resigned. We decided long ago no one will help us but ourselves."

Speigel made the comments to The CJN following the community's annual United Israel Appeal of Canada campaign event.

Almost 20 people attended the dessert and coffee evening held at the community's shul, located in a red brick building in the city's downtown area.

During the 2-hour meeting, guest speaker Barney Harris, UIA of Canada's national field director, spoke about the upcoming Nov. 1 elections in Israel and of UIA's role in Israel.

In particular, Harris spoke about the Project Renewal program and the current emphasis on improving the infrastructure of settlements in Israel's northern border and the Aravat.

"Israel's miniscule population cannot afford to deny anyone an opportunity to realize his or her potential," Harris told the audience.

"UIA — through Project Renewal and its many programs and projects — has played a central role in achieving rehabilitation of Israel's depressed neighborhoods," he said.

Harris presented a 30-minute video on Lova Eliav, one of Israel's founding fathers, who won an Israel Prize during Israel's 40th anniversary year.

Speigel, Sudbury's UIA campaign chairman, later thanked Harris for his address. In turn, Harris presented Speigel, president of Acme Building and Construction Ltd., with a UIA chairman's award for his efforts in running Sudbury's campaign since 1985.

Contributions to this year's Sudbury campaign are expected to increase by 10% from 1987.

In an interview, Speigel said Sudbury's Jewish population has declined since the 1950s when more than 100 families resided in the area.

"There has been a steady trickle off to the larger cities," Speigel said. "As the kids grow up they leave and their parents follow."

Still, Sudbury's Jewish community — a mixture of business people and professionals — manages to run services at the shul using volunteer Torah readers, prayer leaders and cantors. Minyans of 10 men are sometimes difficult to get, but "most of the time we manage," he said.

The community also employs a full-time teacher to educate Sudbury's youngsters in Judaism. Lynda Braude, a congregant, runs a Jewish kindergarten and Sunday school classes for about a dozen children.

The shul, built on John St. in 1959, also has a building fund to cover capital repairs. The fund was set up about 20 years ago, Speigel said.

"These small communities still show a great deal of life despite the demographic trend which is seeing an increasing number leave the communities for major cities," Harris told The CJN.

"Our community is alive and well," added Speigel, whose grandfather, Jeremiah Speigel, a businessman, first settled in Sudbury in the 1930s during the depression.

"Sudbury's Jewish community doesn't need more life, it just needs more bodies," Speigel said.

Seen at Sudbury event are (from left) Mitch Speigel, Barney Harris and Bill Zelikowitz.

NCSY will hold two Shabbatons

TORONTO —
The National Conference of Synagogue Youth (NCSY) is holding its first regional Junior High Shabbaton of the 88/89 school year at the Beth Avraham Yoseph Congregation of Toronto (BAYT) on Friday, Nov. 4 to Sunday, Nov. 6.

The Shabbaton is open to participants in grades 7 and 8 in Ontario and Quebec.

The first regional Shabbaton for senior high will be held on Friday, Nov. 11 to Sunday, Nov. 13 at the Adas Israel Congregation in Hamilton. The senior Shabbaton is open to participants in grades 9 through 13.

NCSY membership covers a broad spectrum of Jewish youth from varied backgrounds who explore the beauty of the Jewish heritage within the framework of a traditional Shabbes.

The weekends will include Torah study sessions, tefillah with instruction and explanations for beginners, catered meals at the synagogue, leisure and social activities, and "the hallmark of the NCSY Shabbaton — lots of ruach," organizers say. Participants will be housed in the area.

The cost of the Shabbatons include all programs, meals and transportation to and from the Saturday night program. The fee for paid members is $36 and for non-paid members is $39.

The cost for transportation to the senior Shabbaton in Hamilton from Toronto is $10. The buses leave from the NCSY Centre at 3524 Bathurst St. on Friday, Nov. 11 at 12.45 p.m.

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Organizations and People

Hadassah's Lily Frank calls for Jewish unity

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
Jews in the Diaspora should pay attention to current events, be concerned about anti-semitic distortions in the media, get involved in public affairs and not be embarrassed at being Jews.

Above all, they should stand united for otherwise, warned national executive vice-president of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO, Lily Frank, "you will not be able to fight back."

In Hamilton for several days recently to discuss plans for the national Hadassah-WIZO Aviv Conference for women aged 45 and younger, which Hamilton Hadassah will host Jan. 20-22, and to address new members at a special membership evening, Frank also spoke on Current Israeli Affairs to a small group of women (and one man) at the Jewish Community Centre.

It was only because of "the perception that the Jewish community has cracks in it and is not united," she said, that External Affairs Minister Joe Clark was able to say what he did at the Canada-Israel Committee Conference in Ottawa last March.

Jews can disagree privately, amongst themselves, no matter how unpleasant it may be, she said.

"But don't go out there and make public statements about the soul of Israel being lost," because the media, she added, will quote only those important people in the Jewish community who criticize Israel.

The past 10 months have been "very disturbing, very worrisome and a very difficult time for Jews around the world," said Frank.

"It was so much easier to stand up and be counted when Israel had the success of the Six Day War or Entebbe."

She warned of the dangers of anti-Israel "conditioning and brainwashing" which included the Zionism is Racism resolution at the United Nations.

"When people have been conditioned over a long period, they come to believe it," said Frank, citing as an example Nazi propaganda in Germany. "By the time the Germans were ready to kill Jews, they were conditioned," she told her audience.

Just as people didn't read Mein Kampf, so people today "are naive not to read the PLO Covenant," she said.

"People don't listen to Arafat. They don't read the bottom line (that their) ultimate aim, their real aim, is the destruction of Israel." But the trouble is, observed Frank, "that Jews don't even know they're not informed."

What is most aggravating, she continued "is that there are a lot of Jews who think in their innocence and stupidity" that Israel can give back territory for peace. "It is like the salami," she said. "You cut it, slice by slice, until there is nothing left.

"I say to these well meaning, naive people: show me a Peace Now movement in Arab countries and then I will sit down and talk."

But unfortunately, she went on, too many Jews have not learned the lesson "of their own bitter history, history as recent as the 1940s."

Jews in the Diaspora who give advice to Israelis on what they should do about their security have no right to do so, said Frank. "They have to guard their homes, not Canadian Jews, so don't be generous with their security or possibly their lives."

Frank was introduced and thanked by Ilona Feldman, president, Hamilton Hadassah-WIZO.

Shul to mark anniversaries

TORONTO —
The 670 families of the Pride of Israel Synagogue, led by Rabbi Harold Lerner will celebrate the synagogue's 40th anniversary and the 40th anniversary of Israel at a banquet Sunday, Oct. 30.

Eleven past chairmen of the synagogue will be honored at that time.

Its founding is only one of many mitzvahs in the extraordinary 83-year history of the Pride of Israel Sick Benefit Society. The society was founded when 10 male Jews gathered in a small cottage on Chestnut St. in downtown Toronto in 1905.

The immediate concerns of those newly arrived immigrants from Eastern Europe were basic: how could they live, die and be buried within their religion?

The tradition of giving to the greater community began during World War II, when the Society donated an ambulance to the war effort.

Now, each year, the special budget committee assigns donations to large numbers of charities which are chosen from a list of suggested causes. The members emphasize the fact that they donate to Black or white, Jew or Gentile, to any and each according to their needs.

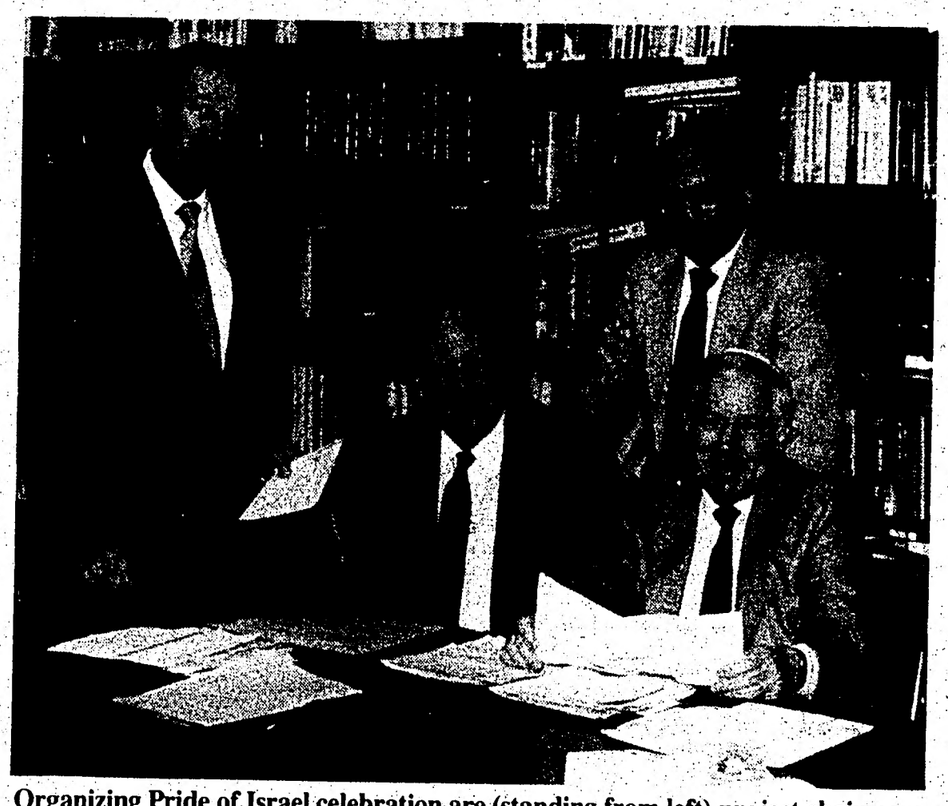
Among the list of more than 50 recipients of their generosity are such Jewish charities as Shaare Zedek Hospital, Baycrest Hospital (to which they donated a room), Na'amat, the Association for the Welfare of Soldiers, the Hebrew Club for the Blind, JNF and UJA.

They also take pride in having donated to the Star Fresh Air Fund for every year since its inception, to the Catholic Children's Aid Society, Sick Children's Hospital, Salvation Army, the Red Cross, the Cancer and Heart Funds, the Jamaica Relief Fund, and innumerable others.

The past chairmen, who will each receive plaques, are Nat Shkolnik, Ben Wax, Sol Atkin, Ben Smith, Marv Singer, Harold Segal, Harry Shelson, Sam Gilbert, Marv Litvack, Mike Englishman, and Norm Jacobs.

Ben Zimmerman, the shul's original shamus and chairman of the sick visiting committee, is retiring and he will be honored.

His father was the shul's first rabbi.



Organizing Pride of Israel celebration are (standing from left) project chairman, Howard Stone; society president, Alan Marks; (seated from left) banquet chairman, Sol Atkin; synagogue chairman, Norman Jacobs.

Schild to address Lutheran rally in Cologne

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —
For the first time in the history of Protestantism in Cologne, West Germany, a non-Christian, Rabbi Erwin Schild of Adath Israel Congregation, has been invited to make the main address at the annual Lutheran mass rally, Oct. 31.

This invitation has much special meaning for Rabbi Schild because the main exhibition hall of the Cologne fairgrounds, where the rally will be held, is only a 3-kilometre walk from the house where he was raised. That house was destroyed in an Allied air raid but a different house is standing on the site.

The precendent shattering call to Rabbi Schild is, in his opinion, motivated by the Church's wish to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Kristallnacht, Nov. 9. About 3,000 to 4,000 people are expected to attend the rally.

Rabbi Schild said his invitation caused quite a bit of controversy among members of the Cologne Synod, the governing body of the Evangelical Church of Germany (Lutheran). The fact that he grew up in Cologne was also a determining factor, he believes.

The title of his address is God Liberates and Offers Atonement: On the Road to a Shared Future. Schild has visited Cologne previously and describes the experience of walking around the city as 'uncanny' because sites which should be familiar are not familiar. 'You can go back in geography but you can't go back in time,' he said.

Schild left for West Germany Oct. 24 to give him enough time to adjust to his native city before his address.

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Concert/lecture for Jewish Women's Federation/UJA Women's Campaign

Mary Travers helps keep the light burning

By
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —
An audience of 700 was recently treated to a combination of entertainment and enlightenment at an evening at Beth Tzedec Congregation, organized under the auspices of Jewish Women's Federation/United Jewish Appeal Women's Campaign.

A Night Out, featuring Mary Travers of Peter, Paul and Mary fame, more than delivered to the audience the promise of a first-rate "concert/lecture," highlighted by the performer's personal account of her meeting with Soviet Refuseniks in 1983.

The function which launched the 1989 UJA Women's campaign in the Jewish community, was conceived and organized by Karen Morton and Didi Urbach.

In her introduction of Travers, Karen Morton stated: "Her music and deep concern for social issues go hand in hand."

Travers, accompanied at the piano by Russell Walden, interspersed her talk with songs that reflected the caring and compassion that has symbolized the persona of Peter, Paul and Mary for more than two decades.

Although she has addressed 80 synagogue groups in the United States since she became swept up in the Refusenik cause, this was her first Canadian appearance on their behalf.

With the familiar long, silky blond hair and bangs, she referred to herself as "the towering Shiksa" as she described the contrast between her and the small group she accompanied to the Soviet Union.

The visit to the USSR, she explained, came about after she told a "close rabbi friend" of her concern over the terrible violation of human rights she had witnessed in San Salvador and Nicaragua.

"He said now that I had seen the tyranny of the right, perhaps it was time to learn of the tyranny of the left. Being an equal opportunity person, I agreed."

She said she discovered that to be a Jew and try to live like one in the Soviet Union, "is an act of defiance," fraught with difficulty, hardship and danger.

Travers urged all those who can, to visit the Soviet Union. "If you can't do that, then write letters, send telegrams. Russian Jews who want to emigrate cannot be abandoned."

Opening the evening program was JWF president Etty Danzig, who explained that the kosher food baskets decorating the foyer would be distributed to appropriate Jewish agencies. She also stated that the JWF tie-in with the program's focus was in the organization's "adoption" of Soviet Refusenik Elena Keis.

Didi Urbach thanked Mary Travers for a performance that brought her a standing ovation, and proceeded to introduce the 1989 Women's Campaign chairman, Joan Stevens.

Taking her cue from the title of a Chanukah song, "One Candle," which was written and recorded by Peter, Paul and Mary, Joan Stevens reminded the audience that each individual can make a difference, urging they "not let the light go out."

"Over the course of our history, it sometimes seemed as if that flame flickered and indeed almost seemed to die. I ask you to keep the flame burning brightly . . . through your increased commitment to the 1989 campaign.

"Know and remember all that we have accomplished . . . know too, that much is left to be done."

Mary Travers (seated) chats with (from left) Karen Morton, Etty Danzig, Didi Urbach and Joan Stevens. [Graphic Artists photo]

Intellectual content and entertainment

Conservative conference set

TORONTO —
A national conference of the Conservative Judaism movement that is rich in intellectual content and entertainment is shaping up in Toronto for Nov. 20-21.

It is the first Canadian Conservative conference sponsored by the Canadian Council for Conservative Judaism and Mercaz-Canada with representatives from 31 Conservative synagogues across the country.

It is also the 75th anniversary of the United Synagogue of America and to celebrate it there is a dinner and cabaret Sunday Nov. 20 at Beth Tzedec Congregation.

Chairing the dinner and master of ceremonies for the cabaret is Marvin Rosenshein, of Hamilton, vice-president of the Ontario region, United Synagogue of America, who is a first rate entertainer in his own right and who has appeared with Steve Lawrence and Jackie Mason. He sang the Canadian and U.S. national anthems at a sold out Blue Jays game Aug. 8. He will perform at the cabaret.

Others taking part in the cabaret are Susan Kerbel-Brown, a comedienne, Alan Feiman, a Groucho Marx impersonator, and Rayella and Sarah Copper, a sisters singing act.

Rosenshein said it will be the best party of the year.

The more serious side of the conference includes a keynote address at the dinner by Rabbi Ismar Schorsch, chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary who will speak on Conservative Judaism, a World Movement.

Workshops will be held at Beth Tikvah Synagogue beginning with The Canadian Mosaic, 1 p.m.-2.30 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 20. This will be a panel discussion of the needs and aspirations of Canadian Conservative synagogues.

A workshop on Israel and the Conservative movements — Masorati and Mercaz-Canada — will follow from 2.30 to 4 p.m. This will deal with the impact of the Conservative movement on the Spirituality of Israel, and Israel Diaspora Relationship.

On Monday morning there is a workshop on Synagogue Leadership in Canada for the 21st-century, 9 a.m. to noon. This will deal with a rabbinic and lay partnership for Conservative Jewry. Following lunch, a workshop on Emet V'Emunah — a Canadian viewpoint on the statement of principles for Conservative Judaism — will be held. Consideration of resolutions will wind up the conference by early afternoon.

Among those attending will be Rabbi Joseph Wernik, leader of the Masorati movement in Israel, Max Goody of the Canadian Zionist Federation, Franklin Kreutzer, international president of United Synagogue of America, Rabbi Erwin Schild, president of Mercaz-Canada, and conference co-chairmen Ruth Bass, of Toronto and Dr. Morton Lang of Montreal.

To encourage broad participation, an all-inclusive fee of $85 for the conference sessions and the dinner has been set. For those attending the dinner only, the cost is $50. Further information can be obtained from Susan Posner at 789-0579.

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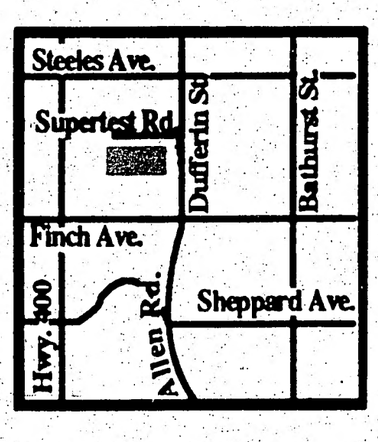

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Election Update

Trinity-Spadina home to 2,500 Jews

Incumbent Heap taking nothing for granted

By
PHIL FINE

TORONTO —
Dan Heap isn't calling the race in Trinity-Spadina a cakewalk.

"The last guy who took Spadina for granted was Jim Coutts," says the 63-year-old NDP MP who's seeking a third term in Ottawa. "I don't take Spadina for granted."

Coutts, who lost to Heap in 1984 and who was principal secretary to former Prime Minister Trudeau, won't be on the ballot on Nov. 21. Tony Ianno, 31, an advisor to Ontario Premier David Peterson, is the Liberal standard bearer this time round. Businessman Joe Pimentel, 47, is his Tory opponent.

All three candidates believe Canada must stiffen its laws against hate literature. But Heap thinks any new legislation must be strong enough to withstand challenges based on free speech.

Dan Heap

"A law that is struck down in the courts isn't much help," he says.

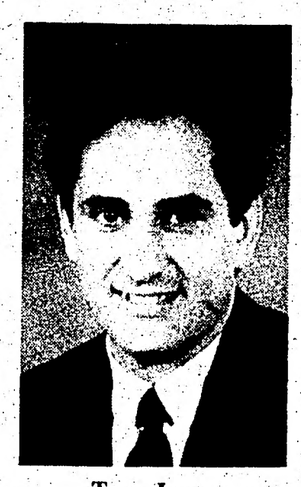
Pimentel says he would press a Tory government to challenge the ruling of the Alberta Court of Appeal which overturned the conviction of James Keegstra.

Ianno, Heap and Pimentel all agree Canadians who are war criminals should be tried in Canada. Extradition, says Heap, would only raise questions "which don't necessarily relate to the alleged crime." Besides, putting war criminals on trial in Canada would show Canadians what their judicial system is doing," he says.

For Pimentel, there's no question Canada has a duty to try war criminals even though they may have committed their crimes over 40 years ago.

"There's always time for justice," says the self-employed businessman.

All three candidates agree that East Bloc evidence, unless found to be suspect, should be used in war crimes trials. Determination of admissibility, Pimentel says, should be left to the courts but Heap believes Canada should use what he says is the American method of evaluating testimony from Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union.



Tony Ianno

Although unanimous on war crimes, Ianno, Heap, and Pimentel differ on how to bring about a Mideast peace. Ianno discounts the Palestine Liberation Organization as a spokesman for the Palestinians so long as it continues to be a terrorist organization.

But Heap believes Israel must acknowledge the PLO — provided it recognizes Israel's right to exist. A Palestinian homeland, he says, can't come about "without having the PLO in the picture."

Pimentel also thinks Palestinians deserve a homeland — but not at the expense of the Israelis. He does, however, believe they have the responsibility of finding a peaceful solution to the conflict.

If such a solution involves a peackeeping force, Ianno thinks it should include Canadian soldiers.

Both Ianno and Pimentel believe Canada should put more pressure on the Soviet Union to allow more Jews to emigrate.

"It's against my thinking and against my grain" to see people not being allowed to leave their country on their own free will, says Pimentel, a native of Bermuda who came to Canada in 1966.

Ianno thinks Canada should use any means "to try to increase freedom around the world."

But Heap says Canada should stick to its present course which, he thinks, is meeting with some success. He opposes a trade embargo because it failed, he says, to bring about better conditions for Soviet Jews when tried by the United States.

Joe Pimentel

"The present moral thaw in international relations seems to be having more beneficial effects than the sabre-rattling of six years ago," he says.

As might be expected, the three candidates reflect their parties' positions on free trade: Pimentel supports it; Ianno and Heap oppose it.

Pimentel says that because the agreement will create more investment opportunities in both Canada and the U.S., more jobs will be created for Canadians. He dismisses the notion the pact will make Canada the 51st state. If Canadian identity has remained intact despite the close trade ties of the auto pact, how, he asks, can it possibly disappear under free trade?

"It's something I think Canadians are brave enough to go for," he says of the controversial agreement.

Ianno, however, thinks free trade will cost many workers their jobs because American branch plants in Canada will be closed once tariffs are removed.

Heap agrees free trade could throw many out of work. Jobs in the garment, health and data processing industries in Trinity-Spadina, he says, could be on the line if Ottawa approves the agreement. He's also worried about what he says could be unhealthy air and water in Toronto if Canada is forced to lower its environmental standards to those in the United States.

An ordained Anglican minister, Heap was first elected to the Commons seven years ago. From 1972 to 1981, he was an alderman for the City of Toronto. The Winnipeg native, who lives in Trinity-Spadina, is married and has seven children.

His two opponents, although newcomers to the federal arena, are no strangers to civic politics. Ianno was defeated on the two occasions — 1978 and 1980 — he tried for a seat on Toronto City Council. Pimentel lost a similar bid in 1985 and a race for the Metro Toronto Separate School board in 1982. Both men live in Trinity-Spadina, a downtown riding home to 2,500 Jews.

Ianno, who holds a BSc from the University of Toronto, says he's well qualified to be MP because of the experience he's gained in the Premier's office.

Pimentel, an accountant, is married and has two children.

Krashinsky hoping to win back York South-Weston for NDP

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —
Steve Krashinsky, the NDP candidate in York South-Weston, is convinced he can win back the seat that over the years was represented by the party's national and provincial leaders, David Lewis, Ted Jolliffee and Donald MacDonald, and the current Ontario leader, Bob Rae.

The 32-year-old Krashinsky, a labor lawyer who is a partner in the firm Sack, Charney, Goldblatt & Mitchell, and a cousin of the late David Lewis, says he is getting a much better response on doorsteps of voters than he did in 1984. In that election, he increased the NDP vote in the riding by 2,400 votes, coming in second to Liberal John Nunziata who had a plurality of 2,537.

Krashinsky's share of the vote in the riding was 31% while the party nationally scored 20%. "People here have a history of voting NDP," he said.

The northern boundary of the riding has moved from Lawrence Ave. to the 401, but the NDP nominee said it does not seriously affect the nature of the voting population.

Steve Krashinsky

"We have a real chance of taking the seat back in this election," Krashinsky said. "People are much more open in expressing support for the NDP. They are ready to give Ed Broadbent a chance. I'm convinced we'll do better than in 1984."

York South-Weston has been held by the Liberal party since 1974, but Krashinsky aims to restore it to the fold which produced such colorful NDP members in this riding as Joe Noseworthy, the ex-high school teacher and Dr. Morton Shulman.

The riding, with about 45,000 voters, is largely working class with about 15-20% of Italian ethnicity. The riding also includes small Black and Portuguese communities.

While there are few Jews in the riding, Krashinsky said he intends to speak out frequently on Jewish issues.

He believes Canada should not recognize the PLO until it renounces terrorism and recognizes the right of Israel to exist with secure boundaries.

"I grew up (in) Habonim in Montreal and like most Jews I'm deeply committed to Israel," he said. "But like many others I find events which have followed the uprisings in Israel very distressing.

"In 1967, Golda Meir and (David) Ben-Gurion warned of the dangers and stated that the military occupation of the West Bank and Gaza could not be permanent. They have been proven right by recent events."

It makes no sense to attach blame, Krashinsky said, adding that the uprisings are a tragedy for both sides and a dialogue has yet to begin.

"The uprising in the West Bank and Gaza are now at the top of Israel's internal agenda and some way has to be found for a dialogue to begin between Israel and the Palestinians."

Krashinsky is a member of the Joint Community Relations Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress.

Because the riding is so firmly anchored in NDP history, he has welcomed canvassers from all over Metro to knock on doors. One of them is Ilanna Lewis, the late NDP leader's daughter.

Liberals pick Roberts in Ontario riding

AJAX, Ont. —
Former Liberal cabinet minister John Roberts has been given the nod to represent the federal riding of Ontario in next month's election.

Roberts recently won the Liberal nomination in the riding just east of Toronto in Durham Region, defeating former Olympic high jumper Greg Joy and two other candidates.

Roberts, former minister of employment and immigration in the Liberal administration, was defeated in 1984 in the Toronto riding of St. Paul's (which has a large Jewish population) by current employment minister Barbara McDougall.

After losing the Liberal nomination in Trinity-Spadina this year, he decided to run in a second riding of Waterloo, in July. However he eventually withdrew his name from the contest.

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Election Update

Area has long Tory history

3 newcomers vie for Don Valley North riding

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
While three newcomers to the federal political scene are running hard to represent the new riding of Don Valley North, the area is not without its own political history.

Located in the northeast corner of North York, Don Valley North takes in large parts of Conservative MP Bill Attewell's old riding of Don Valley East and Conservative MP Paul McCrossan's old riding of York-Scarborough.

The former riding had a long history of voting Tory. Even when it sent Liberal David Smith to Ottawa in the 1980 election, it was only with a plurality of 1.6%, less than 800 votes over the Conservative incumbent. Last time out, Attewell secured the riding for his party by trouncing Smith by over 10,000 votes.

In the old riding of York-Scarborough no one party appeared to have a stronghold. In the 1980 election the Liberals won by around 9,000 votes, while the next time out the PCs recaptured the riding by a 13,000 margin.

Based on past results in these two old ridings, the fight in this new constituency promises to be exciting to watch.

Don Valley North takes in the area bounded by Steeles Ave., Victoria Park Ave., Highway 401, the Don River, Finch Ave. and Bayview Ave. Among the riding's 87,636 residents are 9,640 Jews, who make up 11% of the total.

The three main political contenders are former North York Controller Barbara Greene for the Conservatives, concert pianist Anton Kuerti for the NDP and Liberal businessman Sarkis Assadourian.

While all three candidates agreed that Canada should accept evidence against suspected war criminals living here, subject to "normal safeguards," they parted company about the government's record in this area.

"I fear the Deschenes Commission came too late and the government is dragging its feet," said Assadourian, a member of the Ontario Advisory Council on Multiculturalism. "I don't think there is any other minority in this country or world who understands what holocaust or genocide is as much as (the Armenians and Jews)."

Kuerti, a Hungarian Jew who lost a grandmother in the concentration camps and whose parents fled Nazi persecution, was outraged that war criminals living in Canada have been allowed to roam freely for so long. He said these people should have been prosecuted and brought to justice after the war ended.

Anton Kuerti

"We must be careful that any actions are not in violation of any of our laws and principles," he stressed.

Must bring forth strong cases

Greene, on the other hand, expressed the importance of the government bringing forward strong cases against war criminals that are winnable. To do otherwise, she said, could bring public disapproval on the whole process.

The former municipal politician stressed that Canada should support Israel and do anything it can in terms of facilitating meetings between the parties involved in Mideast tensions.

Greene feels that Canada should not sit down at the bargaining table with the Palestinians unless it develops such "rational" leadership and stops trying to destroy Israel.

Assadourian agreed that Canada can play a supportive role in the Middle East, but said Israel and the superpowers must provide stability in the region. The Liberal candidate also praised Israel Foreign Minister Shimon Peres' peace proposals.

Kuerti said he also agrees with Peres that some agreement should be reached to trade withdrawal from the territories for guarantees of peace.

While he agreed that Canada should not recognize the PLO until it acknowledges Israel's right to exist, Kuerti said there has to be some acknowledgement of the "legitimate interests and aspirations of the Palestinian people."

To further help Soviet Jews, Assadourian said Canada should keep keep up the pressure, claiming that the Soviet Union will not react to quiet diplomacy alone.

Barbara Greene

Greene agreed that Canada should keep encouraging the Soviet government to allow Jews to leave. While other religious groups face persecution in the Soviet Union, she stated that "the Jewish community is in a particular serious situation as they are not allowed to practice their religion."

Kuerti doubted whether any "aggressive" action on Canada's part to stimulate more emigration would be productive.

"Things have changed there as rapidly as one possibly could dare to hope," he said.

"Canada should show its support for those positive developments. I think the rights of people who decide to emigrate from the Soviet Union should be sought not only for Jewish people, but for all people."

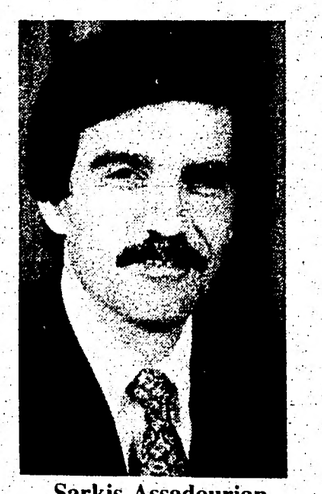
While Greene and Assadourian feel that strong hate propaganda laws are needed, Keurti said he feels prosecuting people like James Keegstra and Ernst Zundel does more harm then good as it gives them a forum for their views.

"I'm a firm believer of freedom of speech and would rather ere on the side of letting a few crazy people be able to print or publish ridiculous documents then to risk having any serious discourse or opinions on other matters be quashed," he stated.

Greene's and Kuerti's comments on the importance of affirmative action programs were closer in nature with the former saying mandatory programs have to be considered only if voluntary actions do not work or aren't effective.

Kuerti said that groups that have been denied their proper place in society in the past deserve an extra push. He expressed doubts whether such programs would be effective unless mandatory.

On the other hand, Assadourian, who initially was in favor of such programs, said that disadvantaged members of society should not be given a chance just because they are disadvantaged.

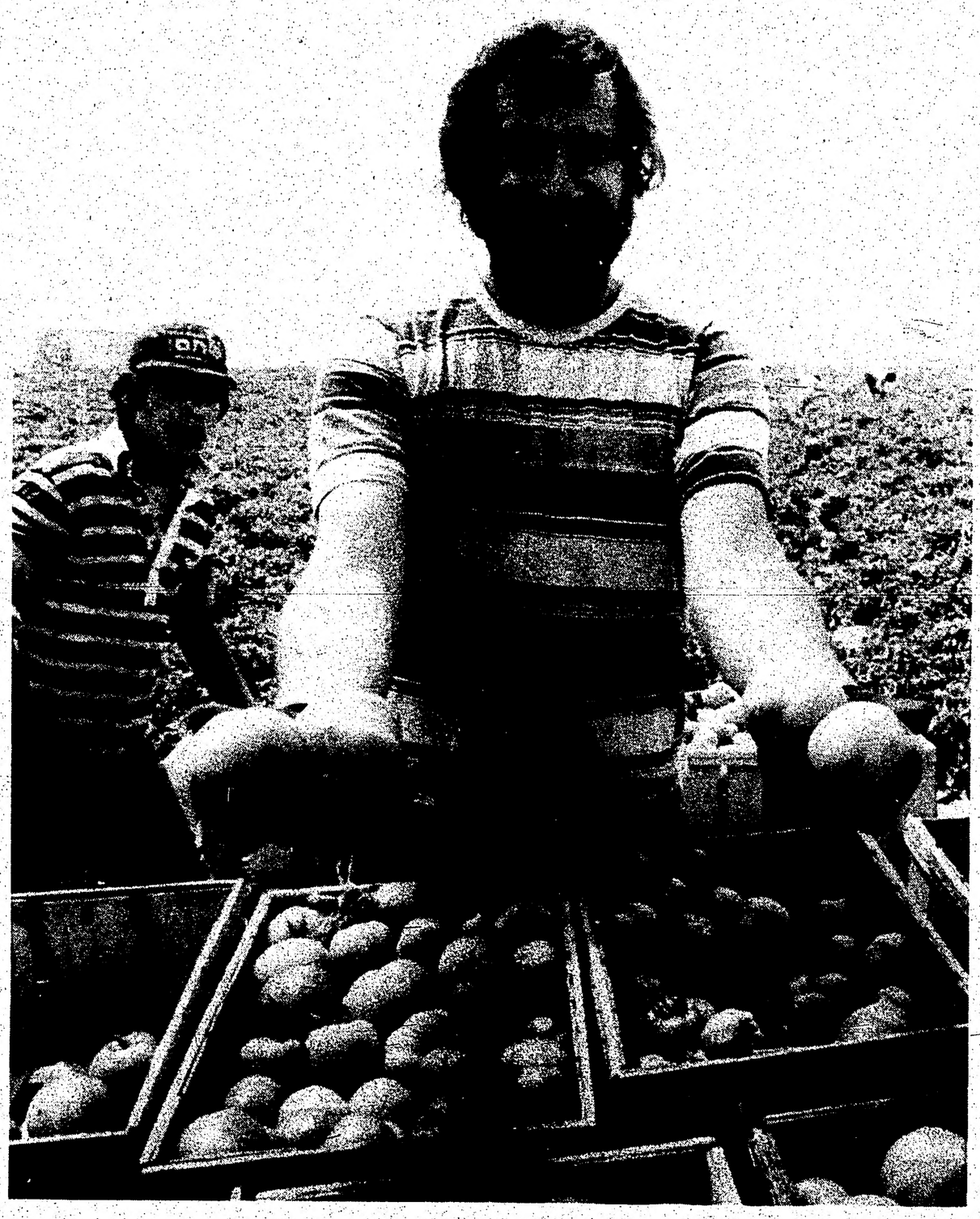


Sarkis Assadourian

In the area of free trade, all candidates toed their party line. Greene pointed to the auto pact, saying that 50% of Ontario's trade falls under this agreement and the province has done well.

Concerned with Canada's sovereignty, Assadourian said: "I feel that somewhere in the next century there will be a North American empire where the U.S. will take cheap labor from Mexico and some (all if they can) natural resources from Canada."

Kuerti said Canada should be looking to developing Third World countries for its future as it has only 10% of its trade with such countries, as opposed to the U.S. who sends 35% of its export business to developing countries.



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Organizations and People

Nobleman faces challenge for York council seat

On Nov. 14 voters across Ontario will head to the polls to choose the men and women who will run their regional, town and city councils for the next three years. The CJN will examine a few of these races in the coming issues.

By
JEFF ROSEN

Ben Nobleman

Daria Bradbury

YORK —

Alderman Ben Nobleman and Controller Phillip White have spent a combined total of 50 years serving the residents of the City of York. Now after a combined half century of political service to the residents of York, the two men are going their separate ways — with only one seeking re-election to council.

White recently announced at a reception honoring his 28 years on York council that he will be leaving municipal politics for "other endeavors." (CJN Oct. 6).

Nobleman will be back for another municipal election as alderman for Ward 1 and this time, he's being challenged by Daria Bradbury, former special assistant to Ontario Housing Minister Chaviva Hosek.

Nobleman, alderman for Ward 1 for the past 22 years, said he decided to seek another 3-year term as he enjoys the work and likes meeting the public.

The veteran politician said he welcomes the opportunity to present his platform which includes a lengthy record of service to the community.

His latest achievement resulted in the Toronto Transit Commission putting a staff member on duty on a permanent basis at the Heath St. entrance to the St. Clair West subway station. Prior to that, the station was served by a staff member on a temporary basis — a move which Nobleman had pushed the TTC to implement.

Nobleman said he is now trying to meet with Ontario Transportation Minister Ed Fulton in order to have an elevator installed at the subway station entrance. He said this is necessary as the 48 "steep" steps to the station prove an obstacle to many seniors in the area. He said that if the province approves the plan, it will pay 75% of the cost of the $400,000 elevator.

Among the series of motions recently introduced by Nobleman is one asking that the federal government declare the post office an essential service which would outlaw all future postal strikes.

Despite all the changes in the municipal political system, Nobleman does not believe it will result in a dissolution of his council's existing powers. Looking at the upcoming changes, he said he was opposed to the elimination of the board of control.

In the new session of council, after the fall elections, Nobleman said the need for lower taxes will have to be addressed, pointing out that some of his constituents pay higher taxes than residents in Forest Hills. Also, traffic problems in his constituency will be examined.

The outspoken alderman blasted the previous Conservative provincial administration of William Davis for stopping the Spadina Expressway (now called Allen Rd.) at Eglinton, which is a "narrow 2-lane road.

"It's like stopping it in the middle of the Sahara Desert," said the exasperated alderman.

Further, Nobleman added that he would like to see bylaws restricting traffic on some of the side-streets which are inhabited by young couples.

More housing needed

Nobleman also criticized the Spadina subway, saying it should have stopped on Bathurst St., rather than across from Beth Sholom Synagogue, as most of the apartments buildings in the area are on Bathurst.

In the area of housing, Nobleman said that even though his city has probably done more than other Metro municipalities to provide affordable housing, his city needs more such units. York also needs, he added, more assessment and will have to work to plug a loophole in the Rental Housing Protection Act.

He said he introduced a motion in council to that effect earlier this year as the city lost 32 affordable housing units because of a loophole which allows vacant rental buildings to be converted to cooperatives and condominiums.

While his opponent is a newcomer to the municipal political scene, Bradbury said she has had some dealings with York council and has become interested in making things better at this level.

"It's time for a progression, new ideas and initiatives," she said.

Bradbury said that most people appear concerned about local issues, such as garbage collection, the environment, traffic and parking in the area.

While admitting there is a problem with traffic in Ward 1, Bradbury said she doesn't think extending Allen Rd. is the answer.

Instead, she said Metro must look at a comprehensive transportation plan for the entire area.

Bradbury also said York must work with the province in plugging loopholes dealing with condominium conversions.

"I would like to see the city (York) become proactive and take the initiative to solve some of the problems in the area." she said. "I would like to see some long term strategic planning.

Bradbury stressed that she would also like to see community ties strengthened and recreational and community services provided for the young families moving into the area and for the many senior citizens in the ward.

"It's important to allow them to be involved in the community," she stated.

While pleased with the implementation of direct election to Metro, Bradbury admitted that many people she is meeting don't understand the changes.

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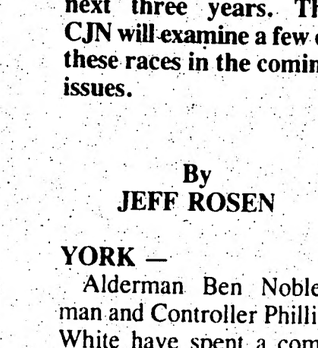
Vying for the Metro council seat of York-Eglinton that overlaps Nobleman's Ward 1 are Mike Colle and Jacquie Chic. The riding also takes in Wards 2, 3, and 4 in the City of York.

Chic said she is running for Metro as she feels more women should have a role in implementing its economic and social policy decisions because they affect all "ordinary" people.

The York resident has spent four years as investigator at the Ombudsman's Office, three years as constituency assistant to former York MPP Donald MacDonald, has worked as assistant to a York controller and as a community legal worker at Parkdale Community Legal Services.



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Organizations and People

Foundation Awards Luncheon

Event aids breast cancer research

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —
Although the Canadian Women's Breast Cancer Foundation was formed less than two years ago, the organization's 1988 Awards Luncheon, held recently at Toronto's Royal York Hotel, was a resounding social, financial and public awareness success.

Filled to capacity, 1,200 supporters (some had to be turned away), were treated to an exciting afternoon with a champagne reception, audio-visuals, a gourmet lunch, presentation of awards, and camaraderie.

Lynda Prince (left), chairman of the 2nd Annual Awards Luncheon of the Canadian Women's Breast Cancer Foundation, is seen with founding member Lorraine Elkind and guest of honor, Yvonne Alexander.

On hand at the $50 a person 2nd Annual Awards Luncheon were notables including Yvonne Alexander, the wife of Ontario's Lieutenant-Governor Lincoln Alexander, Mayor Art Eggleton, Judy Erola, Maureen Forrester, Adrienne Clarkson, Anne Rohmer, Al Waxman and many others.

Nancy Brinker, who heads the Susan G. Komen Foundation in the United States, was the keynote speaker. Brinker lost her sister, Susan Komen, to breast cancer in 1980 and spearheaded the formation of the American organization that parallels the work of the Canadian Foundation.

The non-profit Canadian Women's Breast Cancer Foundation was established for the support and funding of breast cancer research, treatment and education. The funding members are Deborah Bennett, Irene Chu, Shari Creed, Marlene DelZotto, Lorraine Elkind, B. J. Hasselback, Bette Johnston, Nancy Paul, and Eleanor Rose.

The awards luncheon was chaired by Lynda Prince with a committee of more than 120 women from all segments of the community. Prince says she became active in the organization when she realized that there was no standardized breast screening and no funding from the government. "So it's up to a small group to make a stand," she told The CJN, "and that's what we're doing."

Lorraine Elkind, a tireless worker for the Foundation, who, with her husband Manual Elkind, received a 1988 Appreciation Award at the luncheon said, "Breast cancer affects every woman — my mother, my aunts and close friends — they have all been affected and I feel a personal commitment to contributing to eradicating this horrible and devastating disease."

Elkind noted that breast cancer is the leading health issue for women of Canada and kills more women in North America than any other disease. Breast cancer will affect in excess of 4,000 women in the province of Ontario this year and 1,600 will die.

"Out of these 300 could have been saved by an organized, high quality breast screening program," she emphasized. Awareness, she noted, should start at the age of 12 "because the disease affects young and old."

Dr. Richard Hasselback, an oncologist at Princess Margaret Hospital, recipient of the 1988 Outstanding Man of the Year Award, complimented the Foundation. "What these women have accomplished in two years is astonishing. Their efforts contribute to awareness among women and hopefully lead to improved results in the management of the disease."

Some others who received awards were, Dr. Norman Boyd, associate professor at The Ontario Cancer Institute incorporating The Princess Margaret Hospital who received a $25,000 grant for excellence in research, Dr. Cornelia Baines, deputy director of the National Breast Screening Study, who received the Professional Commitment Award, and Registered Nurse Phyllis Burgess, the Susan Rowland Outstanding Community Achievement Award for Volunteer of the Year.

Nancy Paul, president of the Ontario Chapter of the Foundation, announced that an international alliance has been formed with the United States for uniting women across North America in their efforts to advance medical research, increase public awareness and educate the public about early detection and available services.

Those present were urged to contact Elinor Caplan, Ontario minister of health, to express support for the Ontario Cancer Treatment and Research Foundations' proposal for a province-wide Comprehensive Breast Cancer Screening Program.

Senior Care volunteers honored for efforts

By
ANCIL KASHETSKY

TORONTO —
It was a night of kudos for numerous Senior Care volunteers who were honored at a Volunteer Recognition Evening held recently at Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

Sid and Ellsie Klebanoff, Lee Cutler, Shirley Bessner, Ann Spetter, Moe Glazer, Sandy Galet and Dr. Les Richmond were all presented with scrolls in recognition of the volunteer services they have provided to Senior Care, a community service agency whose goal is independence for the elderly. The agency was known formerly as Coordinated Services to the Jewish Elderly.

Ruth Margles, vice-president of Senior Care Volunteers, made the presentations during the evening's ceremonies which concluded on a musical note when the 4-member Flying Bulgar Klezmer Band entertained the audience.

Fifteen women from the Hebrew Weston Charitable Organization were also honored with the Marie and Jack Freedman Memorial Award for their contribution to Senior Care. The award was presented by Gary Freedman.

Selma Eisen, founder of Senior Care's Homemaking program, handed out the Educational Award named in her honor to Molly Rose. Speaking about the concept of volunteerism, Eisen said volunteers have the unique capacity to see beyond themselves. "They look at their fellow men and women and see their needs."

Michael Scheinert, executive director of Senior Care, presented gifts of appreciation to vounteers Joyce Fleiser for her services to the home support programs and Selma Taylor, an 11-year vounteer with the agency. He also singled out the Senior Care staff for their special commitment to the agency.

Anita Ekstein, former vice-president of the volunteers, was also honored with a bouquet of flowers for her 4-year service. In her earlier remarks, she said "volunteers were the wheels without which Senior Care would not work." Meals on Wheels and the Home Visiting program to shut-ins, she said, were two areas where volunteers were indispensable, she added.

Michael Florence, president of Senior Care, said the agency has experienced dynamic growth in the last few years, notably in the area of Meals on Wheels, homecare and housekeeping. Special services such as a student care program to help the elderly, he added, were further examples of innovative new ideas.

It was the volunteers, though, who received the most plaudits from Florence. "You who go through slush, rain and snow to deliver meals. This does not go unnoticed and we salute you."

Rhona Phillips, a program supervisor at the Ontario community and social services ministry, also thanked the volunteers and brought greetings from the ministry. She referred to the special haftorah on Yom Kippur as illustrating the Jewish idea that a "true community is one which does not rest on its edifices but has communal concerns and caring."

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Organizations and People

Capacity for building relationships said most important

Finding true love is no easy task, says panel

By
PHIL FINE

TORONTO —

There is no easy or sure-fire way of finding one's true love.

That's the message a panel of three singles "experts" recently gave 30 men and women who turned out at the Toronto Zionist Centre to hear a discussion on the qualities of one's ideal mate.

The event, sponsored by Na'amat's Club Dafna, was moderated by Susan Jackson, director of community services for the Canadian Jewish Congress.

Jackson emphasized the importance of finding someone with whom one is genuinely compatible and of not just choosing a partner to satisfy the urgings of family or friends.

Panelist Syd Dorfman, president of Metro Toronto Singles, said that because the ideal mate probably exists only in the movies, people shouldn't expect to find one.

Instead, he advised, they should seek individuals with whom they can build working relationships. To find such people, Dorfman urged his listeners to attend singles events, network with family and friends and read both the singles and personal columns in The CJN.

In sizing up a mate, Dorfman said it was important to be open-minded. Men, for example, used to date only younger women. But the reverse, he pointed out, is now acceptable.

He also said it was essential to maintain a positive attitude and not deceive oneself into thinking that no one of interest would turn up at a singles event.

Touching on personal presentation, Dorfman emphasized the importance of communication skills and good grooming. A person, he explained, will decide within the first few minutes of meeting someone whether a relationship with that man or woman will work.

Dorfman also underlined the importance of asking questions to find out if potential partners share common values and interests.

Although compromise is essential to the health of any relationship, chemistry and friendship are also important, Dorfman pointed out.

Panelist Phyllis Weinberg, a Toronto psychotherapist, warned against marrying simply to escape poverty, a confining homelife or to satisfy some other specific need. A marriage so-based will crumble once the need has been met, she explained.

Weinberg emphasized the importance of differentiating between practical and what she called pathological reasons for getting married.

"The goal is not just marriage; the goal is marry the right person," she said, adding that the Torah sees marriage as the means by which two people "complete" each other to actualize their potential.

Esther Leibman, a consultant with Toronto's Sabra Circle Introduction Ltd., said qualities her clients look for in a partner include warmth, openness, friendliness, independence and good-grooming. Dislikes run to smoking, obesity and prince and princess-type behavior.

Like Dorfman, Leibman emphasized the importance of building relationships and of being persistent in trying to meet other singles.

One questioner asked Weinberg if marriage could work with someone who was observant but whose partner was not.

Yes, she replied, providing both partners had everything else in common and made a sincere desire to communicate. Weinberg explained that being observant is not a result of inborn character traits but of a conscious internalizing of behavioral patterns.

Involvement of big money donors said to be desirable

TORONTO —

Jewish communal and volunteer groups should welcome the participation of the most rich and powerful members of the community and not be afraid of them, says an expert on the makeup of Jewish organizations.

Donald Feldstein, associate executive vice-president of the Council of Jewish Federations in New York City, says the involvement of big money donors in Jewish communities is "inevitable and desirable in a voluntary system."

Feldstein told a recent breakfast meeting of the Toronto Association of Professionals in Jewish Communal Service (TAPJCS) that community professionals need not be wary of the dominance within many Jewish organizations, especially at the lay level, of the richest and most important members of a community.

Makes agendas more democratic

In Toronto to discuss what constitutes democratic governance in voluntary agencies, Feldstein told the gathering that having the wealthiest people in the community involved in Jewish organizations may even mean that organizations' agendas are more "democratically" developed because of communities' efforts to accommodate the views of their biggest supporters.

Large contributors, he added, "must" be disproportionately represented at decision-making levels.

The next TAPJCS program will be Nov. 9 at the Lipa Green Building, when Prof. Ethelle Shatz of the Wurzweiler School of Social Work at Yeshiva University in New York will speak on Breaking Ranks: The Limits of Traditional Supervision for the Established Professional. Dinner and program are called for 6 p.m. Cost is $10 for members; $12 for non-members.

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Teachers praise Hebrew U institute

TORONTO —

A number of Canadian teachers attended the 1988 Institute for Jewish Educators at the Samuel Mendel Melton Centre for Jewish Education in the Diaspora at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. All students lived in the dorms on the university's Mount Scopus campus.

Pnina Spetgang, principal of Beth Tikvah Congregational School, said: "I feel very positively and strongly about the institute. Their faculty is very highly qualified. Also I felt Israel badly needs people this year so I really had to be there."

Bambi Katz Kollins, a 4th grade general studies teacher at Associated Hebrew Day Schools (Finch campus) said: "It gave me a much better understanding of modern day Israel and a better understanding of my Israeli colleagues and students here in Toronto."

Rina Newman, a 1st grade Jewish studies teacher at Netivot HaTorah day school and at Associated (Clark campus) said the trip enabled her to enrich her knowledge and update her ideas.

The Canadians were partly subsidized by the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.

The Summer Institute began in 1982 as a response to Diaspora requests for a program of personal and professional enrichment.

Tree terrorism said to be virtually stopped in Israel

By
AVI HYMAN

TORONTO —

Tree terrorism in Israel has not worked successfully and has now come to a virtual stop, says Steven Grossman, speaking on behalf of the Jewish National Fund, who was addressing the first Sunday breakfast of Beth Tzedec Synagogue Men's Club recently.

Grossman, whose public relations firm has been retained to promote JNF's Project ReTREEval, said, "1.5 million trees have been destroyed by arson, all within pre-1967 borders."

"The Martyrs' and Children's sections of Canada Park do not exist anymore," Grossman told the audience.

In a videotape presentation, Grossman showed the audience some of Israel's activities in fighting the forest fires.

"Twenty-four watch towers, an interministerial task force appointed by Prime Minister (Yitzhak) Shamir, and assistance from the Israel Defence Forces have helped thwart the evil designs of the purveyors of hate," said the movie.

"Every tree destroyed will be replaced, but it's not enough just to replant, each tree must be replaced by 10, if every Jew will see and feel that his tree were burned."

The Toronto and Canadian JNF campaign was designed by Grossman and is called Project ReTREEval.

The project consists of advertising campaigns and work with various communal organizations and synagogues.

In the past couple of months, Torontonians have planted 40,000 trees; "many members of the non-Jewish community have been involved. It's very gratifying," said Grossman.

"The trees prevent erosion, protect the fragile ecology and provide an important recreational facility for the citizens," he said.

Grossman told the audience that he would rather stay away from making any political comments but when questioned vigorously after his presentation, said he believed the arson was the result of actions by "hostile Arab elements within the community; however, there have been others (Arabs) who have helped replace the trees."

Since JNF started in 1901, 180 million trees have been planted. In this latest wave of Arab terrorism which has gripped the country, 1.5 million of those trees were destroyed by arson, convering an area of 48,000 acres.

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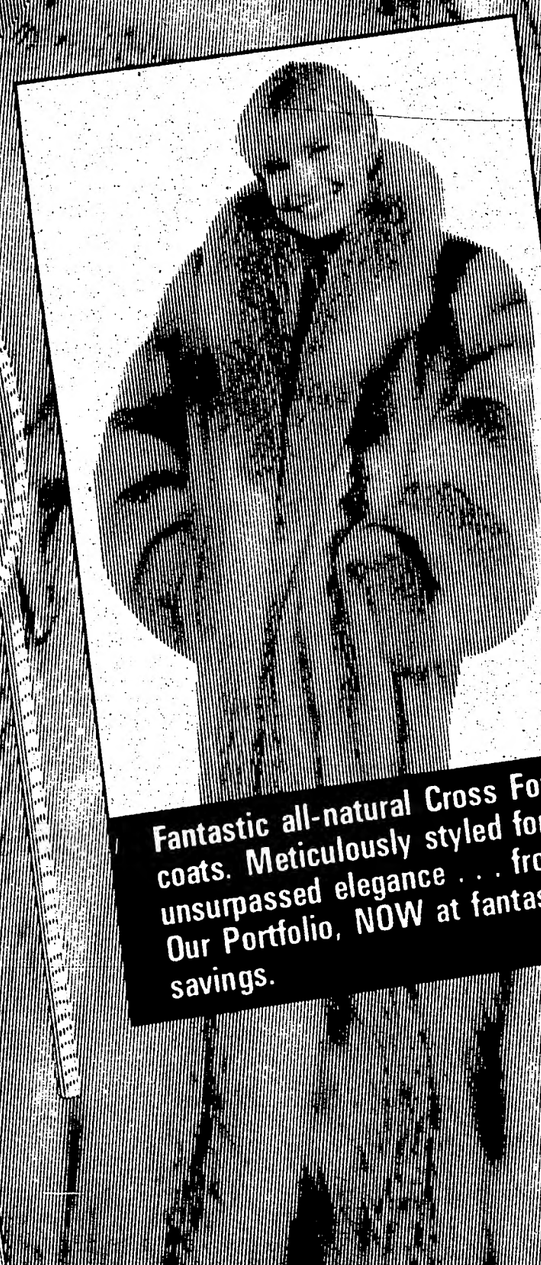

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Fashion

Trade show to change name

Low-key exhibits mark sophisticated Montreal Pret

By
BRUCE PARKINSON

There wasn't as much hype as the Festival of Canadian Fashion.

There weren't any huge, glitzy display booths with espresso bars and video walls.

There weren't any politicians insecurely claiming their city to be the fashion capital of Canada.

There weren't the throngs of fashion-hungry consumers milling about making the place look happening for the TV cameras.

What there was at the recent Montreal Pret et Collections International was a slick, sophisticated trade show, which in only its second incarnation has established itself as an integral part of the Canadian fashion trade scene.

Bigger than the first show this past March, with more space and more exhibitors, the Pret reflected the professional management provided by Gilles Martin and his team at Le Groupe de Gestion d'Associations et d'Expositions who built the Canadian International Fur Fair into one of the largest shows of its kind in the world.

Without the public element that forces manufacturers and designers to put more emphasis on image for their displays at the Festival, the Pret was mostly business, and the low-key exhibits reflected this, making the space at Palais des Congres "look like a giant showroom," as designer Peter Lam said.

The second Pret was also the last — from now on the show will be known as the Canadian International Women's Wear Show — and the venue will change as well, with March's show moving to Place Bonaventure.

The first day, as is typical for these Sunday to Tuesday shows, was by far the busiest, with more than 2,500 attending. An SRO crowd watched the best fashion show of the event, an all-linen display sponsored by France's Maison du Lin.

The show was part of an international competition which gives selected designers from several countries the opportunity to create exclusive linen fabrics in France and then design them into clothing of their choosing, with no rules or restrictions.

While one might expect that, released from the confines of salability, the designers would go mad and create way-out, unwearable garments, the outfits shown were surprisingly down-to-earth.

They were also quite wonderful, with interesting cuts and shapes, appealing, custom-developed colors, all set against a theatrical backdrop that set an effective mood.

Denomme Vincent's swashbuckling men's wear, Debora Kuchme's asymmetrical shapes and Claude Gagnon's unusual colors were especially impressive.

Aside from the Maison du Lin, other fashion shows left something to be desired. Le Groupe's public relations consultant Chantal Moreault said they will be given higher priority at the next show.

The opening night party was held at Metropolis, a huge, old theatre now run as a nightclub. It was a big success, with the emphasis on fun rather than fashion. There were no fashion shows at the party — just lots of dancing and terrific trapeze entertainment by students of L'ecole du Cirque de Soleil.

Part of the mandate of the Pret this time around was to help educate buyers on trends for spring/summer 1989 by bringing in Lorein Eyerly, a high-priced American merchandising and trend expert.

Eyerly was the keynote speaker at a breakfast seminar. As well, three large trend boards, with photos and editorial, were displayed in the foyer of the exhibition hall.

Her projections fell into three main areas:

• Jacket Required: Corporate wear has become more feminine, and pared down to the one essential, which is the jacket. Linen is the number one fabric of the season, shapes are softer, colors, textures and patterns are mixed.

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The internationalization of fashion and the fruits of the growing apparel industries of developing countries was displayed at the Pret as well.

A large display featuring the products of 20 different Turkish manufacturers attracted a good deal of attention.

The Turks put on their own fashion shows, using a bevy of models they brought over for the occasion. With a former Miss Europe, Miss Asia-Pacific and several Miss Turkeys among the flock, they were an impressive collection, with a combination of Oriental and European looks.

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Model wearing a Michel Vaudrin original attracted plenty of attention on opening night.

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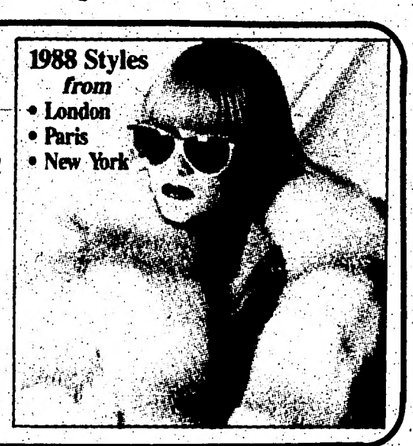

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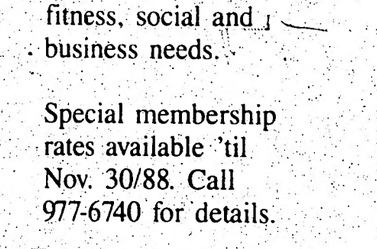

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Exhibitors delighted with response

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While some of the garments shown were simple and cheap — T-shirts with American logos and the like — some of the designs were quite advanced for a country that only 15 years ago was exporting little more than raw cotton, with no apparel industry to speak of.

Other countries represented included Uruguay, Colombia and the Soviet Union.

Reaction of exhibitors to the second Montreal Pret was generally positive.

Michael Waxman, president of both Progress Cloak Co. and the Quebec Fashion Apparel Manufacturers Guild, said, "Most people here are delighted with the response from the second show.

"There has been a tremendous amount of traffic, order-taking and contacts. Most people I've talked to are looking for more space next time. That's how enthusiastic they are. Gilles Martin is a top-notch professional."

Toronto designer Lam said he missed the public participation that the Festival features — "I like the contact with the people who really buy your clothes" — but he said the trade-only format had its virtues.

"Without the monster exhibits like the Festival, a small company can still exist and be noticed."

Innovative South American-inspired linen men's wear by Denomme Vincent was a highlight of the theatrical show sponsored by the Maison du Lin.

Jennifer Bratton, a representative of designer Laise Adzer who travelled from Beverly Hills to show Adzer's creations at the Pret was positive about the event.

"It's very conservative and very small compared to some of the American shows, but I'm intrigued. I think the country is ready for this. We'll be back, especially with free trade impending, which will make this a very positive market for us."

Vancouver knit and sportswear designer Julie Shilander said the cross-section of buyers who came from across Canada and some from the U.S. "are helping me to reach into market areas where I am not represented now."

Michel Desjardins, a young designer from Quebec, said although he enjoyed the show more than the first one, he did have one major complaint.

"I think they should promote the young designers. We are the heart of the business and they stick us way at the back here. We should be in the front row if they really want to promote us."

The last word goes to Moreault, who, exhausted from three extremely long days and the preparations beforehand, found time for a smile and a comment.

"We've improved a great deal. The next one is going to be the best yet..."

Designers win fashion award

Two designers have been selected to receive the City of Toronto Award for Excellence in Fashion Design, it was announced recently by the fashion industry liaison committee.

Dominic Bellissimo, who is noted for his leather styles, was named winner of the Professional Designer category. He was cited for his "outstanding designs and significant contributions to the growth of the industry."

Andrew Majtenyi, a recent Sheridan College graduate, was honored as the Most Promising New Designer.

The designers, who were judged by a 4-person committee, will be principal guests at a civic reception in November. Both men will be presented with the gold-and-silver pin and a framed citation by Mayor Art Eggleton and Ald. Dale Martin, chairman of the liaison committee.

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Fashion

Intricate designs, workmanship

Sparkling gem exhibit gets ringing endorsement

By
SHERYL HALPERN

"Jewelry design is an art form," said Anita Vicente of the DeBeers Diamond Information Centre, as we toured the crowded The Power of Love exhibit at Montreal's Lucas Jewellers (1476 Sherbrooke St. W.) — six centuries' worth of diamond engagement rings, from 1475 to the present.

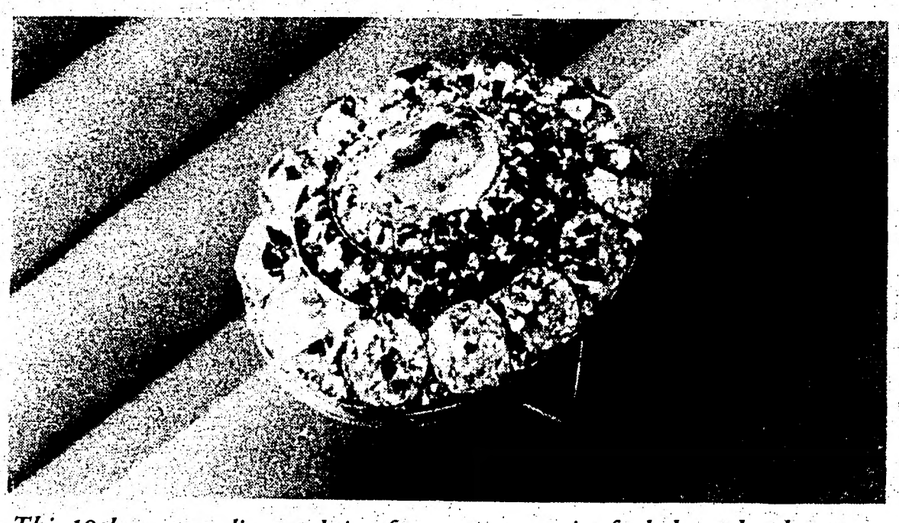
Looking at the intricate designs and workmanship on the rings of queens and poets, it was easy to agree.

At first it was an art form for royalty only, marking the betrothal of Mary of Burgundy and Maximilian of Austria (with a Gothic letter "M" in hog-back diamonds) and the marriage of Camila d'Aragon and Constanzo Sforza (a diamond solitaire in a golden starburst setting.)

There were copies of those 15th-century rings in the first case — but surprise, they didn't sparkle. The first diamond engagement rings, when diamonds came from India and were extremely costly, usually used uncut stones. The 8-sided natural crystals (think of two pyramids joined at the base) were mounted with the upper pyramid showing and the lower one hidden. The earliest diamond cuts, table cuts and hog back cuts, were simple.

The 16th century Renaissance rings were beautiful, and more elaborate: a pale-pink table-cut diamond in a high-box setting, a natural diamond crystal in a green-and-black enamelled box setting, diamonds set in 4-petalled enamelled-gold quatrefoils.

Most fascinating and rare was the gimmel (from the Latin for twins, gemelli.) This twinned wedding ring had two hoops that slid together so perfectly that only a single ring could be seen.



This 19th century diamond ring features a portrait of a lady under the stone.

love and passion; emeralds for faith.

Gimmels alluded to two becoming one in marriage. A fleur de lis, when you saw one (there are examples from the 15th century on) was an emblem of the Virgin Mary — or of the French aristocracy.

Clasped hands meant faith; hands holding a heart meant faith and love. Snakes symbolized eternity. And on and on — twinned hearts, lover's knots, crowns. . . .

It still flourished in the 17th and 18th centuries — and with new multi-faceted cuts, diamonds began to sparkle. For example, gold hands held a rose-cut diamond heart with a flaming crown (also set with rosecut diamonds) on a 17th-century ring. Diamond and ruby hearts were bound together by a diamond crown (for lasting love) on an 18th century ring; another had a diamond-crowned diamond and emerald.

There were also memorial rings (one shown, enamelled in black, might have had a tiny strand of hair hidden under the crystal) and keeper rings (the forerunners of today's eternity rings, usually worn to keep a more important ring from falling off — there was a copy of Queen Charlotte's "keeper.")

But some rings were just pretty, or for the light-hearted. A 17th-century flower ring had ruby petals and a diamond centre. An 18th century friendship ring had "AMITIE" spelled out in diamond-set letters on separate, joined hoops. And the "Giardinetti" (or "little flower pot") ring on display had diamonds and emeralds set in a delicate flower-spray design.

By the 19th century, diamond rings were for romantics — and affordable even for the middle-class. The highlight here was the engagement ring (with a crowned diamond heart) that joined Romantic poets Elizabeth Barrett and Robert Browning.

Or, more showy, was the huge 3-tiered diamond ring with a dainty miniature portrait of a lady underneath a large and beautifully clear flat diamond. There were also cluster rings and "firmament rings," with stones set against a dark blue enamel background like stars in the night sky.

The 20th-century rings were merely elegant and spectacular. With platinum, and the new (1981) tension setting, which suspends the diamond between the two halves of the hoop — no claws or prongs needed — diamond rings become modern abstract art. No symbolism, just style and beauty — except that diamonds still mean love and luxury.

Lucas Jewelers' display included: a brilliant-cut solitaire tension-set between bands of yellow gold on a wide band; a horizontally-set marquise suspended between two posts by white gold "strapping" and a brilliant-cut diamond of over a carat that seems "pierced" by a white gold arrow.

Vancouver-based Brinkhaus Jewellers had an exhibit: a brilliant-cut solitaire set in platinum and suspended between intersecting bands of gold and a brilliant-cut solitaire tube-set in white gold, with a sandblasted finish accented with polished geometrics while Alyea Jewellers of Ottawa showed a 1-carat pear diamond surrounded by gold ripples and entwined bands of yellow-and-white gold set with an oval diamond.

Montreal was the last Canadian stop for the exhibit — it was previously in Vancouver and Ottawa — which now has begun a tour of many nations.

Quotation engraved on shanks

The one on exhibit had a quotation from the marriage service engraved on the shanks and two tiny sculptures, a devil and a cherub, hidden away in the shanks; slip the hoops together and all you saw was a diamond set next to a ruby.

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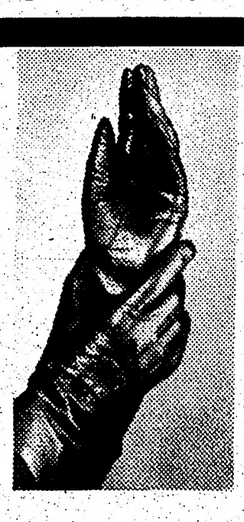

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Redesigns and creates new items

Toronto jeweller restores lustre to outdated pieces

By
LEN BUTCHER

Howard Brodsky's By Design Fine Jewellery Ltd. on Alness St. has begun its bar mitzvah year.

Brodsky, who creates new jewelry and redesigns old pieces, says, "I'm still learning, still growing."

And he has worked hard for success in a demanding field. He has no store or showroom for people to see his work. For the most part, he goes to his customers, in their homes or offices, during the day or evening — even on weekends.

"I have a personal relationship with my customers and that certainly means a lot to them. It's like having their own artist. They want something new or redesigned, they call me and we meet."

Once the customer tells or shows him what is required, within minutes he has sketched a design for the piece — in color and almost three-dimensional — so the individual can see what it would look like.

"If he doesn't like it, we work together until he's satisfied," Brodsky said, adding that that is the advantage of being both an artist and a specialist.

"All I do is design jewelry, that's my specialty and that's what I concentrate on. The key is to know your client, both on a personal and psychological level so you really know what he wants, what is best suited to him. After all is said and done, the customer has to be happy with what I've designed for him."

He seems to have a lot of satisfied customers — he is booked seven weeks in advance although if someone "really needs something in a hurry" he'll try and accommodate him but he needs at least three weeks to deliver as everything is handmade.

Asked what makes a good jewelry designer, he replied artistic ability.

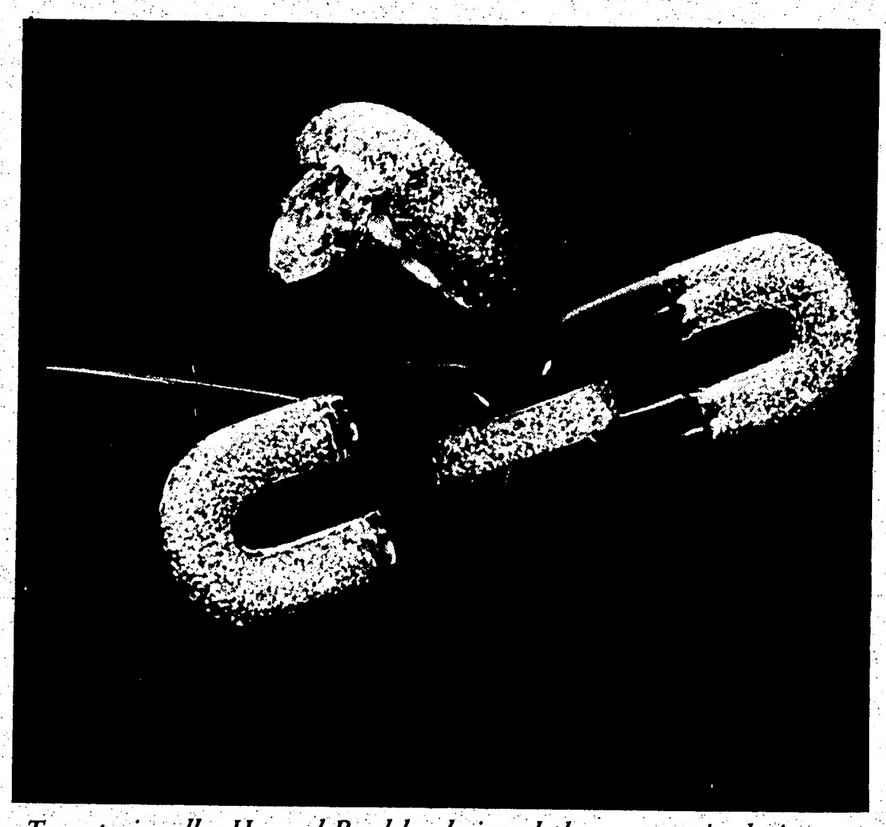
"That is a gift. Then you have to have an understanding of people. You have to know what they want and what will look good on them," he said, adding that financial concerns are also important as people may only want to spend a certain amount.

"I sell quality jewelry and I don't cut corners. It also takes time to make something unique and my customers, who are extremely sophisticated, know this," he said.

"At the same time, because of my low overhead — I don't have a store or fancy offices — they are getting excellent value for their money and they know it. That's one of the reasons that I have a high percentage of repeat business."

Brodsky almost splits his time evenly creating new items and redesigning old pieces.

"So many people have good jewelry that they don't wear because it looks outdated or they've just grown tired of the design. They give me a call and I redesign the piece to maybe something they've seen in a book, or something completely original that I draw up for them."



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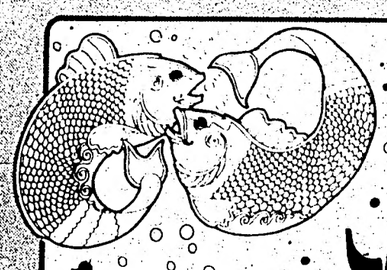

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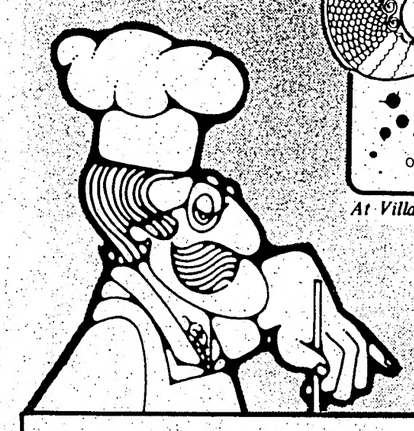

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Rough edges rounded off in nostalgic documentary

Lennon's music leaves best memory in Imagine

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Albert Goldman, in his new biography of John Lennon, is distinctly uncharitable toward his subject. In a scathing analysis of the late British pop idol, Goldman dismisses the founding father of the Beatles as an egocentric, bullying bisexual drug addict whose life spun out of control.

Andrew Solt's film, *Imagine: John Lennon*, treats him more kindly but not with kid gloves. Lennon is monumentally self-absorbed, given to using drugs and alcohol, and occasionally flaky in the extreme. The very rough edges revealed in Goldman's book have been rounded off in this nostalgic documentary.

The reason is clear. The previously unseen footage was supplied to Solt by his widow, Yoko Ono, and she has made sure that the flowerchild image that Lennon cultivated has more or less remained intact.

Imagine, now playing at Famous Players theatres, makes effective use of home videos, newsreels, theatrical films, TV and radio interviews and stills. It follows Lennon from boyhood in Britain to martyrdom in New York City in December of 1980.

The product of a broken home, he was raised by a dutiful aunt after Lennon's father, a merchant marine seaman, abandoned him and his mother. She, in turn, was unable to look after her son, so Lennon's childhood was less than normal. At the age of 16, he was briefly reunited with his mother. Shortly afterwards, she was killed in a traffic accident. For the rest of his life, Lennon craved love.

John Lennon before his ascent to fame as a great rock star.

As his aunt Mimi relates, Lennon was an artistic child, fond of composing poetry and drawing. As an adolescent, he was considered a pretty coarse character, a Teddy Boy, in the parlance of the times. He fell in with a rock group, and soon they were playing in dingy British and German clubs. By the mid-1960s, the Beatles, managed by Brian Epstein, were established. Lennon and Paul McCartney were clearly its guiding lights.

The Beatles' tour of the U.S., which crystallized their reputation, is reprised. Lennon, the narrator of *Imagine*, recalls the constant din in the stadiums in which they performed to delirious crowds, making it impossible for anyone to hear their songs.

American prudes who had been offended by the Beatles' careless comment that they were now more popular than Jesus Christ staged noisy demonstrations as they toured the country. In one very amusing clip, a hooded member of the Ku Klux Klan predicts chaos if they perform. Seconds later, the police chief of a southern town solemnly instructs men assigned to one of their concerts not to forget to wear earplugs!

Lennon is depicted as a creative musician who neglected his family (especially his first son Julian), who experimented with drugs, who drank to excess and who campaigned for world peace and brotherhood. His relationship with Yoko Ono, his alter ego, is always problematical.

Lennon, for all his immense talent, was at times a tortured soul. But in the final analysis, as his first wife Cynthia correctly points out, he was a musical genius.

And in *Imagine*, it is his music, more than anything else, that lives on so splendidly.

Mood piece accomplished filmmaking

Pascali's Island captures unrequited love

TORONTO —

Mood is all in *Pascali's Island*, James Dearden's film set in the waning days of the Ottoman Empire.

Dearden, who brought us *Fatal Attraction*, one of the hits of the 1987 season, brings to bear his considerable talents in this brooding picture about duplicity, corruption and misfired hope.

The atmospherics are everything, though Ben Kingsley and Charles Dance are memorable in their respective roles. Dearden is interested in creating a mood of decay and disintegration, and without a doubt he succeeds.

It is 1908, and on the Greek, Turkish-occupied island of Nisi, sun-splashed and redolent of the Middle East, rebellion is in the air. Basil Pascali (Kingsley), the resident spy who has been faithfully sending reports to Constantinople for the past 20 years, sights a new visitor, Anthony Bowles (Dance), and he dashes off yet another note to his masters.

Bowles passes himself off as an archeologist with a special interest in Asia Minor. He hires Pascali as his interpreter, and soon Pascali, whose racial origins are fuzzy, negotiates on Bowles' behalf with the local powers-that-be.

Bowles wants to lease a parcel of land so that he can pursue a supposedly important dig. For a hefty financial consideration, the pasha is receptive. When a German munitions supplier gets wind of the deal, he complains loudly, and the deal turns sour.

Something is clearly amiss, and Pascali is caught in the vortex of a budding scandal.

The most notable thing about *Pascali's Island* is its ability to convey dark emotions, whether they happen to be larcency, greed, graft or dishonesty. On Nisi, a remote Ottoman outpost, these forces come into play as Pascali gradually realizes that the farflung empire he has served in such exemplary fashion is crumbling.

The film, which is now playing at Famous Players theatres, captures with a few deft strokes the heartbreak of unrequited love. Lydia Neumann (Helen Mirren), the object of Pascali's desire, thinks that Bowles is "a moral primitive." But before an unbelieving, unblinking Pascali, they embrace, naked, in an exquisite grotto.

Kingsley, his eyes misted over with profound sadness, portrays the perpetual outsider, the observer who is an island unto himself, the unappreciated informer whose tight little world is coming apart at the seams. In a word, he's brilliant.

Dance is the epitome of the arrogant, hypocritical colonial traveller who thinks he's better than the natives, who besmirches the concept of honor, who has no compunction about plundering the patrimony of a nation. Like Kingsley, Dance puts on a wonderfully controlled performance.

But above everything else, *Pascali's Island* is a mood piece, an accomplished act of filmmaking which sparkles like a precious stone in the Mediterranean light. — S.K.

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Hamilton Na'amat event to feature author Davies

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

Internationally acclaimed Canadian author Robertson Davies will be the guest speaker at the 5th annual Hamilton Na'amat Celebrity Author's Luncheon at noon Wednesday, Nov. 2 at the Hamilton downtown YWCA.

The author's luncheon is Nitsan Chapter's chief fund raising event of the year and previous speakers such as David Suzuki, Margaret Visser and Dr. Robert Mendelson have contributed to the outstanding success of the series.

President of Nitsan Chapter, Hamilton Na'amat, is Agi Meinhard and luncheon convenor is Yael Greenberg Livingston. Proceeds of the event go to various Na'amat child care and educational projects in Israel and Canada.

Davies is the author of the Deptford Trilogy, Fifth Business, The Manticore and World Of Wonders.

His What's Bred In The Bone, the second in a new trilogy which began with The Rebel Angels in 1981, won the Canadian Author's Association award for the best work of fiction of 1985. Last in the trilogy is the recently published Lyre Of Orpheus, which he will discuss on Nov. 2.

He has had three successive careers, as an actor with the Old Vic Company in England; as editor and publisher of the Peterborough Examiner and finally, as a professor of English and master of Massey College, U of T.

The author of over 30 books, including several volumes of plays, collections of essays and belles lettres, Davies is the recipient of numerous honors and awards.

Retired since 1981, Davies and his wife divide their time between Toronto and Caledon, Ont.

The luncheon will take place at the YWCA, 75 McNab St. S. in Hamilton.

Admission is $10 per person and includes a gourmet box lunch and door prizes. Because of limited seating, advance purchase of tickets is advised.

Tickets can be obtained from Marvin Caplan Gentleman's Apparel, 140 King St. E., Hamilton, (522-0633); and Louise's Gifts and Jewellery, 46 King St. E., Dundas, Ont. (627-0275); or by calling 628-0800 for Hamilton, Dundas and Ancaster, or 335-4122 for Burlington. Area code for all numbers is 416.

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Arts

Paul Robeson surmounted Everest-sized obstacles

1-man show dramatizes life of remarkable American

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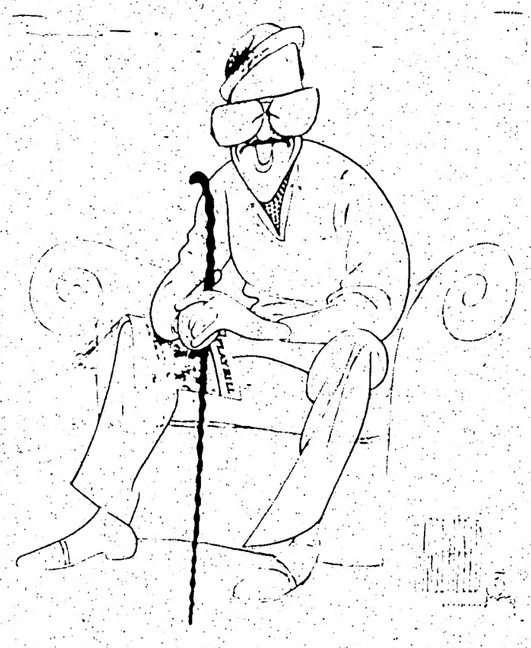

NEW YORK —

Paul Robeson: Black, Rutgers College, All-American athlete, Phi Beta Kappa, Columbia Law School, world-renowned bass-baritone, film star, actor supreme, linguist and political activist — here was one of the most remarkable and controversial Americans of the 20th Century.

In *Robeson*, playwright Phillip Hayes Dean has dramatized the life of the Black American performer — intellectual who surmounted Everest-sized obstacles only to be felled by misfortune and illness that left him a profoundly bitter man. He died in 1976 at age 76.

The turning point in his life came when he visited Russia in the 1930s. He became an advocate of Soviet Communism at a time when violent racism was rampant in the U.S. After World War II he continued his outspoken support for left-wing principles. As a result he was stripped of his passport, denied employment as a singer and called before the House Un-American Activities Committee at the outset of the McCarthy era. The play leaves unanswered the question of whether Robeson came to understand and admit the oppression of the Communist dictatorship of the Soviet Union.

Avery Brooks, a commanding actor, gives an enthralling performance as Robeson from youth to old age — capturing the mercurial moods of sorrow, humor and anger swirling in the battered heart of this gifted artist.

Dressed in tails, using a minimum of props, alone onstage except for piano accompaniment by Ernie Scott, Brooks opens with a Carnegie Hall tribute to the late singer on his 75th birthday. The play then flashes back to the hero's early years, beginning with Robeson's childhood in New Jersey as the son of an ex-slave turned pastor.

It then moves dramatically along to cover his college years at Rutgers, where he fought off the physical assaults of white bigots on the football team where he was to become one of the greatest players of all time. This was followed by similar racial harassment at the law school in New York; the meeting with his wife; his triumphs as an actor and singer in Eugene O'Neill's *The Emperor Jones* and Jerome Kern's *Show Boat* and later *Othello*, the role with which many still identify Robeson.

One of the most dramatic episodes in this 2½-hour production is his outburst in a Kansas City concert hall, when he refused ever to sing again to a segregated audience. Brooks portrays another touching moment when he sits with his hand on his father's coffin, speaking one last time to his dead father and reflecting on the dignity that all men should possess.

Writing a 1-man show presents constricting theatrical problems but the essential Robeson is there, becoming in his own words "an artist, an athlete, and most importantly a scholar." It all proves to be an evening in the theatre that depicts courageously how difficult it is to be different, as well as the spirit and determination it takes to battle successfully the elements of prejudice.

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Film shows deaf teen's problems

TORONTO —

Eight years ago the late Ruth Martin approached Rabbi Joseph Kelman of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, drawing his attention to the lack of programs for hearing-impaired Jews in Toronto.

The process started then has resulted in a half-hour videotape *Someone is Listening*, funded by members of the synagogue and the Ruth Martin Memorial Fund.

One of the actors in the film is Mitchell Martin, son of Ruth Martin, who plays the part of a cantor.

The film tells the story of a deaf teenager who, after a basketball accident that pinpoints his helplessness and hopelessness, meets a rabbi who communicates with him by signing. Ultimately the rabbi prepares him for bar mitzvah.

Within the film are 30 Jewish signs, Hebrew prayers, Shabbat blessings of the candles, wine and bread, the Cohanim benediction, the final Torah blessing and others. In addition, dozens of Jewish concepts are introduced and there is a 10-minute teaching section at the end of the film.

The film was made in Philadelphia and Rabbi David Grossman, the only signing rabbi in Philadelphia, plays the rabbi's part.

The demanding part of the teenager is played by Colby Tecklin, of Philadelphia, who was born deaf. His own parents and his sister play his family.

The film was produced by the Special Education Committee of United Synagogue of America and is available free to teachers and hearing-impaired families.

Its Canadian premiere will be at the synagogue, 100 Elder St. Downsview, Nov. 1 at 8 p.m. Discussion and refreshments following. For further information call 447-5240.

Beth Tikvah to auction art

TORONTO —

Art, hotel packages, and a hot air balloon ride are among the diverse items and services to be auctioned off at Illusions 88, this year's annual fund raising exhibit and auction at Beth Tikvah Congregation, 3080 Bayview Ave., on Saturday evening, Nov. 5.

Hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, complimentary wine, and live music throughout the evening will contribute to "a delightful night out," says a spokesman for the organizer, Beth Tikvah Sisterhood. A gourmet meal will be served at the conclusion of the bidding.

Cost for the event, which begins with a preview from 7:30-9 p.m., is $15 per person. Bidding begins promptly at 9 p.m.

CBC Radio host David Schatzky will host the evening

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Jewish Book Award program seeks entries

NEW YORK (JTA) —

The 40th National Jewish Book Award program, sponsored annually by the JWB Jewish Book Council, invites entries now through Nov. 22.

Recipients will receive $750 each.

Awards will be presented for books with a 1988 copyright or publishing date in the following categories: autobiography/memoir; children's literature, children's picture book, contemporary Jewish life, fiction, Holocaust, Israel Jewish history, Jewish thought, scholarship, visual arts and Yiddish literature.

New rules this year specify that those books written in English, and generally available in the United States and Canada, may be considered even if their authors are not citizens or permanent residents.

Anthologies of new writings by various authors are also eligible.

Entries should be sent to: Dr. Marcia Posner/Awards Coordinator, National Jewish Book Awards Committee, JWB Jewish Book Council, 15 E. 26th St., New York, 10010-1579.

Writer inflicts his private therapy in tedious, half-baked drama

By FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Before the lights went down, I was dismayed to see wooden chairs arranged in a circle onstage at the Tarragon Theatre.

"Oh-oh," I thought. "Another dreary Canadian confessional play stemming from group therapy."

I proved to be half wrong about *Somewhere I Have Never Travelled*, the season opener running until Oct. 30 at the Tarragon (30 Bridgman Ave., 531-1827).

It's dreary all right. But this new memory play by Daniel MacIvor, the Nova Scotia-born playwright in residence at the Tarragon, is apparently his own private therapy being inflicted on the public.

As such, it's as tedious as listening to a stranger ramble on interminably about his sessions on the couch with his shrink.

As drama, it's a disjointed melange of flashbacks and flashforwards. It's all confusingly constructed and seemed as inept as an amateur struggling to imitate Eugene O'Neill's autobiographical *Long Day's Journey Into Night*.

But MacIvor, alas, is no O'Neill. Though he showed signs of having an earthy sense of humor in last season's promising *See Bob Run*, there's no sense of tragedy or poetry, of wit or inherent interest in this 6-character collection of vignettes.

Loosely speaking, the plot — if you want to call it that — concerns a family of poor Maritimers gathered for the funeral of one Buck MacLean. To put it bluntly, he's a dumb, semi-illiterate, boozing, obnoxious, beer-belly slob. He's also a philanderer who cheats on his long suffering wife, a primitive tyrant who bullies his two children.

Yet we are led to believe that in his cups he was a lovable Cape Bretoner for all that, me boyos.

It's too bad that the talents of two exceptionally gifted Canadian character actors are so badly wasted here: the melodiously-voiced Dennis O'Connor as Buck, who was so magnificent in Tarragon's *Hosanna*; and Lynne Gorman, as Buck's high-spirited sister with elastic morals, who was such a fine comedienne in *The Foreigner* at the Royal Alexandra Theatre.

And it's a shame that Urjo Kareda, the Tarragon's intelligent artistic director, continues his reckless policy of staging half-baked plays by young Canadians not yet ready for production.

He is thus doing a disservice to both his theatre and his playwrights in residence.

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Set during wartime Poland

Rubinek memoir describes miraculous survival

By
ARNOLD AGES

Saul Rubinek, a talented Toronto actor, started a tape-recorded conversation with his parents, Frania and Israel, more than 12 years ago.

His book, *So Many Miracles* (Viking-Penguin, $24.95), the result of that extended conversation, is a powerful memoir about their miraculous survival in wartime Poland during the Holocaust. Saul has permitted Frania and Israel to speak in their Yiddish-English cadences, a device which lends their tale a riveting authenticity.

There are three parts to the memoir: the first deals with the pre-1939 period, the second pivots around the period of the German occupation of Poland and the third focuses on the Rubineks' peregrinations after the war.

Before the war the Rubineks were members of a Polish Jewish community which numbered 3 million souls. Saul's parents and grandparents were pious people whose lives were governed by age-old religious traditions. By the 1930s, however, both Israel and Frania had begun to move away from the strict standards of their elders.

Israel Rubinek was daring by the standards of his generation. At the age of 15 he shaved off his payot (side curls) and joined a theatrical company. He was an accomplished social dancer. He speaks movingly of the arrival in Lodz in 1936 of Tom Mix, the cowboy film star and of the excitement generated by American films.

Hollywood gave way to Armageddon, however, in 1939 when the Germans marched into Poland. From the beginning, innocent Poles and Jews became the targets of Nazi brutality: thousands were shot or beaten to death without provocation. In the first months of the war Israel Rubinek managed to evade the German roundups of Jews by exhibiting a bravado and a readiness to try to pass as a Polish Gentile. His acting talents were useful in this regard.

By the time Israel had married Frania the situation of Jews in Poland had become especially perilous. Israel and Frania speak bitterly about the "good" Polish neighbors who denounced Jews or revealed their hiding places to the Nazis. They also describe in grim detail the taunts they received from Poles who gleefully predicted their, the Rubineks' death, and asked for information about gold caches Jews had undoubtedly hidden.

Actor Saul Rubinek (centre) embraces his parents Frania and Israel Rubinek whose wartime experiences are told in the book So Many Miracles.

The Rubineks have many an uncongenial thing to say about the Poles. Yet, it was a Polish couple who saved their lives, in one of the many miracles which preserved them during the kingdom of darkness which reigned over Polish Jewry. That miracle, of course, was denied to the vast majority of Polish Jews who perished in the concentration camps.

A simple farm couple, Ludwig and Zofia Banyas, took in the Rubineks when Frania was already well along in her pregnancy. This was an heroic act because hiding Jews in wartime Poland was an offense punishable by death.

The 2½ years the Rubineks stayed with the Banyas were not uneventful. Frania lost her child in the act of a home delivery because no one had the presence of mind to cut the infant's umbilical cord. On many occasions German troops came hunting for Jews but the hiding place the Rubineks used proved secure. The Banyas' child, Maniek, grew to love the Rubineks and acted as a lookout for them on a regular basis.

During one stint in their lair the Rubineks heard friends of Ludwig and Zofia speak openly about their hatred for Jews and their delectation at the prospect of the annihilation of Polish Jewry. On another harrowing occasion the couple remained hidden under the floor of a cow stall while German troops walked about above. Their dogs could not detect Jews because of the smell of cow dung.

Even after the liberation by the Russians, the Rubineks experienced more than their share of travail. A Jew-hating member of the Russian militia tried to blow up Ludwig and Zofia's farm house by placing a grenade in the kitchen oven. That disaster was prevented miraculously when Frania Rubinek decided to clean the oven before firing it up.

The Rubineks returned to Pinczow, their Polish home town after the war. A resurgent anti-semitism in Poland caused them to leave the country and they made their way to Munich — to a displaced persons camp called Fohrenwald. Along with 1,500 other Jewish families the Rubineks tried to regain their physical and mental equilibrium. Israel became involved with an amateur theatrical group in the camp and produced a number of plays.

Saul Rubinek, the future actor, was born in the camp in 1948 and came to Canada with his family in 1949 where they lived first in Montreal and then in Ottawa.

Perhaps the most touching part of this sensitive book is the epilogue in which Saul describes the return trip he made with his parents to Poland in 1985 — along with a CBC film crew. The reunion with Zofia Banyas and her son, Maniek (Ludwig had died in the interim) is retold in this memoir with simplicity and grace. The meeting itself after 40 years was, in itself, another of the miracles alluded to in the title of this book.

Several years ago Nehama Tec wrote an academic treatise entitled, *When Light Pierced the Darkness*, the story of Righteous Gentiles in Poland who had risked their lives to save Jews. Saul Rubinek's parents have given us first person accounts of that phenomenon and we are in their debt for giving us a glimpse of one such light.

Concert features Israeli songs

TORONTO —

Holy Blossom Temple will resound with the music of the Holy Land Oct. 28 when the synagogue's own choir presents a concert featuring songs of Israel.

The performance, set for 8.30 pm, comes on the heels of the choir's successful visit to Israel in August. The 18-day tour, made possible in part by a $10,000 grant from the Charles R. Bronfman Foundation, marked the first trip by the Holy Blossom Singers to Israel.

The tour saw the singers perform in both the International Jewish Choir Festival at the Hebrew University's Mt. Scopus campus and in the Zemriyah at Kibbutz Mirshmar-Hashron near Netanya. During the Zemriyah, the choir conducted a special memorial service at Yad Vashem. The choir also performed at Palmachim Air Force Base and at the Diaspora Museum .

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Showbiz Mishmash

"Der Lenny" celebrates 70th birtday in "ecstasy"

By
FRANK RASKY

It's hard to believe that Leonard Bernstein — the symbol of eternal youth among composer-conductors, despite his leonine silver hair and pale blue eyes monocled by wrinkles — has finally become a septuagenarian.

Yet the fact remains that "Der Lenny," as he's affectionately known by members of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, will be leading them on his 70th birthday tour on Oct. 30 at Roy Thomson Hall.

I treasure the tickets I bought for his long sold-out Digital Silver Series Concert, and I look forward to hearing his program of composers listed as the three Bs — "Brahms, Beethoven, and Bernstein."

I don't care which Bernstein composition they'll perform. Whether it's his *Kaddish Symphony*, his *Fancy Free* ballet, his operas *Candide* and *Trouble in Tahiti*, or his Broadway musicals *On The Town*, *Wonderful Town* and *West Side Story*, you may be sure of one thing.

Whatever he conducts, Bernstein — the son of an immigrant fishmonger from Ukraine, who wished that Lenny would become a rabbi — will perform "as though I were in religious ecstasy."

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That quote about himself as a conductor comes from the best profile of Bernstein I've ever read. It appears in **Helen Epstein's** new soft-cover book, *Music Talks* (Penguin of Canada; 241 pages; $10.95).

She interviewed him while Bernstein was teaching a class of young aspiring conductors in the Berkshire Music Centre at Tanglewood. At the time, she writes, Bernstein was sitting on the floor in his blue jeans and cowboy boots, his shirt unbuttoned to expose a tanned white-haired chest and a protruding potbelly.

"What was most difficult for you to learn as a student of conducting?" she asked.

"Oh, controlling myself," he said. "So as not to fall into a fainting fit in the middle of the finale. In the middle of conducting *Scheherazade*, I remember having something like a heart attack.

"That was a big lesson to me. You are there to serve the music and you have to take care of yourself. There's a certain point beyond which you cannot let yourself go.

"I still haven't learned that lesson completely. I still go haywire and walk off the stage after a Tchaikovsky symphony, so that they have to throw buckets of water at me.

"But the advice I have to give has to do with *not* going overboard. Your ideal situation is the *complete loss of ego*. You must identify so completely with the composer that it's as though you've *become* that composer.

"**Schopenhauer**, the philosopher, said that music was the only art in which

Leonard Bernstein

you could lose ego, and that art was the only area in life in which it could happen. Schopenhauer was wrong. It can happen in religious ecstasy or meditation. It can happen in orgasm when you are with someone you love."

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Bernstein was asked, "How do you train yourself to lose your ego?"

He lit another in his chain of cigarettes and answered politely, "If you have to *train* yourself to do that, I don't think you're in the right business. If you are an artist, you are a driven person.

"My father wanted me to be a rabbi rather than a musician, but he couldn't win. It was destiny.

"I didn't care what it cost me. My father wouldn't give me money for lessons. So I had to go out and play in jazz bands at 12. But it was in the stars. If you have to *try* to concentrate, you should be in the shoe business.

"That doesn't mean you don't have your doubts every now and then. I don't know any great musician who has not had the experience of wondering whether he shouldn't have been doing something else and then saying, 'Of course not!'

"It's like love. What was Plato's definition of love? You desire the happiness of the beloved. You desire the best for the music. What you are interested in is the wellbeing of the object you love."

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The late pop artist **Andy Warhol** is probably best remembered for saying that everybody in the 1980s will be a showbiz star for at least 15 minutes. Two gifted Jewish media types, who used to co-author an entertaining "Bob and Jane" column for the Toronto Star — **Bob Pomerantz**, 32, and **Jane Widerman**, 34 — have created a flourishing business based on Warhol's premise.

Their Your Life Productions at 38 Fern Ave. (588-6900 or 922-5906) turn out what they call "gold-plated memories on film," which will turn somebody you love into a video star. Inspired by the **Ralph Edwards'** *This Is Your Life* TV shows of the 1950s, their gift videos for a person celebrating a birthday, bar mitzvah, wedding or anniversary present, in modern day terms, what you might call *The Lifestyle of the Non-Rich and Anonymous*.

Typically, the video commissioned by **Patricia Rubin** to celebrate the 50th birthday of her husband **Paul**, a Montreal real estate executive, featured interviews with everybody from his dentist to the first girl he dated at 16. Bar mitzvah celebrants are surprised to see on film the doctor who initially delivered, them, their basketball coach, their favorite English teacher and school chums, even the mohel who presided at their circumcision.

A 17-to 25-minute video, scripted by Pomerantz and Widerman "with laughter and tears," costs $3,800 and up. For $300, they also offer to package a video for a shy admirer proposing marriage to a lady friend. So far, no bashful swain has taken them up on that.

Bob Pomerantz

Jane Widerman

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Joel Grey says it wasn't money but artistry that prompted him to recreate the role of the smarmy emcee in *Cabaret*, which runs from Nov. 1 to 6 at the O'Keefe Centre.

The 56-year-old Jewish actor, looking like a boyish elf in white running shoes and rumpled beige suit, was saying at an interview last week that he'd resisted for years reprising his Tony-and-Oscar-winning role of "Mr. Sleaze", that gained him Broadway stardom in 1966. "I saw myself as being like a musician or conductor coming back to play a musical work on which he'd made his initial reputation," he said.

I asked him, "How did you achieve that ghoulish, grease-painted look?" He said he was inspired by a publicity photo of **Tyrone Power**. "It was once fashionable for Hollywood male stars to pose wearing lipstick and eyeshadow and 'juvenile-pink' greasepaint. I was sure this sleazebag of an emcee in the depth of his soul would try to imitate that so-called classic look."

As for the character of what he also calls "Mr. Porno, "Gray says he borrowed heavily from his memories of the third-rate, slimy emcees he encountered while playing in burlesque as a 16-year-old with his father, the late, beloved Yiddish comic, **Mickey Katz**.

When I asked him what comedy *shtiklech* he inherited from his Dad, Grey said: "His outrageous sense of humor when Yiddishizing popular songs of the

Joel Grey

day. I remember most fondly how he switched the title of *Davey Crocket* to *Dovid Crackit* and *Shrimp Boats Are Acoming* became *Herring Boats Are Acoming With Bagels And lox*."

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Our curtain lines this week deal with aging stars:

Greta Garbo, now 83, when refusing in 1946 to ever perform in a movie again: "I have made enough faces."

Katharine Hepburn, now 79: "If you survive long enough, you're revered — rather like a crumbling old building."

Maurice Chevalier, before he died in 1972 at the age of 84: "Old age isn't so bad when you consider the alternative."

Movies get bad marks in portraying Jewish life

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

My mother still has a crush on Jules Garfinkle, and speaks glowingly about Muni Weisenfeld. Bernie Schwartz, now, is another story.

Jules who?

Well, maybe the names John Garfield, Paul Muni and Tony Curtis ring more of a bell. As Ruth Margel told the opening meeting of the Shaar Shalom Sisterhood, "wherever you are, people want to talk about movies."

According to Margel, a self-confessed "movie nut," who has lectured extensively on the Jews and the Motion Picture industry, Jews have not fared too badly in films, particularly compared with such ethnic groups as Blacks or American Indians. "Remember Jeff Chandler as Cochise?"

On the other hand, she pointed out, there was no attempt to show Jews as Jews, or to deal with the unique Jewish experience, and every attempt was made to show them as just about like everybody else.

In the very first films, she said, Jews were portrayed as people of sentiment and conviction. The Jew was seen as the comedian, maintaining his dignity in suffering.

While Jews might be shown as having a few exotic rituals, in the crunch, they were really all-around Americans. Jewish children in 1920's films might bravely suffer ridicule, but, Margel said, soon divested themselves of their ethnic background and "reassuringly for both Jews and non-Jews" became just like the rest of the population.

Even in Cecil B. De Mille's biblical epics, you couldn't distinguish between Jewish and non-jewish characters "Charlton Heston and Stephen Boyd in *Ben Hur* were only different because one was the good guy and one was the bad guy."

During World War II, she said, when the Nazis were using film as a powerful and highly effective propaganda tool, Hollywood was being very careful to be totally inocuous. Not until after the war, with films like *Gentlemen's Agreement* and *Crossfire* was there any attempt to deal with anti-semitism.

"This is amazing in an industry dominated by Jews." Mind you, she went on, the industry conscientiously followed the advice of Joseph Kennedy, former ambassador to the United Kingdom and father of President John Kennedy, that the best way to help the Jews in Europe was to do nothing at all.

Even the classic film *Exodus*, she said, used Israel and her story as a setting for adventure and universal themes. "The last scene, where the Jew and the Arab agree that the whole tragedy was the fault of everyone, perverts the whole story," Margel said.

Margel also objects to the wide screen treatment of *The Diary of Anne Frank*, which, she said, defeated the claustrophic effect created by the book. "In an effort to Americanize the story, to make Americans feel a part of it, it was made that much less of a Jewish tragedy."

It wasn't until the 1960's she said, that, thanks partly to people like Barbra Streisand, "Jewish was in," and an attempt was made to show Jews as rounded individuals, good and bad. "Remember the effect of the *Goodbye Columbus* wedding scene, the graduation party of *The Graduate* or *The Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz*?"

The trouble is, she said, that for millions of people, their only encounter with Jews is the image of Duddy Kravitz. "Ethnic stereotypes are being exploited for box office receipts."

The motion picture industry is still afraid, she charged, to touch powerful Jewish themes, like the Holocaust or Israel. "This is only being done on television (like the mini-series *Holocaust*).

There really has been very little advance since the beginning of movies — Jewish roots still are not dealt with honestly, she said.

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Dramatists deserve credit for imagination

Two Canadian plays accentuate the experimental

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Two highly original, but badly flawed, Canadian plays are currently running until Nov. 6 in Toronto theatres.

One of them is Kelly Rebar's *Bordertown Cafe* at the Factory Theatre (125 Bathurst St. at Adelaide, 864-9971). It can be described as a kitchen-sink drama.

The other is Douglas Rodger's *Donut City* at the Canadian Stage Company's Free Theatre Upstairs (26 Berkeley St. at Front, 366-7723). It's classified by trendys as "boulevard theatre," in which the audience is physically involved with the street action. But I call it old fashioned garbage-can drama.

Both will appeal to a specialized audience who enjoy experimental theatre. Though neither production really touched my emotions, I'd say the dramatist in each case deserves credit for tackling a contemporary theme with considerable imagination.

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Canadian-American free trade is now a hot political potato, and *Bordertown Cafe* strives valiantly to personalize the issues.

Originally staged at Ontario's Blyth Festival, the 4-character play centres on a 17-year-old youth named Jimmy with one foot in Canada and one foot in the U.S.

Jimmy is a tall, gawky Canadian-born adolescent, whose goal is to become "a normal, human hockey player." He lives behind a scuzzy truck stop cafe on the Alberta side of the Montana border with his mother, Marlene.

At 34, she's a nail-biting, insecure divorcee proud of her Canadian roots, but with mixed feelings about her split with her ex-husband, an irresponsible American truck driver.

Her conflicts are aggravated by her parents who live in a nearby farm. Her mother, Maxine, is a nagging, U.S.-born chatterbox, who brags endlessly about the superiority of everything south of the border, from baseball players to Lucky Strike cigarettes. Her father, Jim, is a taciturn, dry-humored farmer, the epitome of the Canadian WASP unable to communicate emotions.

Kevin Bundy is a standout in Bordertown Cafe drama.

The crux of the play comes when Jimmy's father phones, asking his son to live with him and his glamorous new wife in a fancy ranch in Colorado. It would be unfair for me to reveal the outcome, but I will say that the audience vociferously cheered the boy's decision.

Many of the lines are funny, as when Maxine sneers about the highbrow CBC programs being played in the barn: "So what if our cows are the most educated milkers in the world?"

And the cast is more than capable. I especially liked David Fox (recently returned from touring China as Dr. Norman Bethune in the 1-man Canadian show, *Gone The Burning Sun*) in the role of the foxy farmer Jim. Also outstanding is young Kevin Bundy, a graduate of Montreal's National Theatre School, as Jimmy, floundering about convincingly in the awkward age between juvenility and adulthood.

But the play is marred by two things. Director Katherine Kaszas has made the mistake of trying to capture what she calls "real Albertan speech rhythm, which is quick and uses 10 words where one would suffice." Hence, with the exception of veteran character actor Fox, who knows the value of pauses, the actors rush through their lines at a ridiculous speed to the point of being unintelligible.

What's more, though playwright Rebar has an unerring ear for Canadian idiom — especially our use of "Eh?" — she hamstrings the natural flow of dialogue by artificial references to the Canadian-versus-American theme, as though they were points in a debate. Thus Jimmy and Maxine argue over a Reader's Digest article that claims nine out of every 10 Americans carry guns.

She has yet to learn that a debate doth not a play make.

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The trouble with *Donut City* is that novice playwright Douglas Rodger can't make up his mind whether it's a slice-of-sordid-life docudrama or a Toronto version of the Berthold Brecht-Kurt Weill musical satire of Berlin's underbelly, *The Threepenny Opera*.

I'd call it an amalgam of both genres, which unfortunately doesn't quite work.

Theatregoers are herded upstairs into a dark, seatless theatre, where they are regimented into serving as a milling crowd for an uninterrupted, 95-minute multimedia display of the sleazy street happenings on the Yonge St. Strip.

The very rough story line follows the misadventures of two 15-year-old runaways, Chooch (Alan Mozes, an alumnus of Montreal's Saidye Bronfman Centre) and Juli (Ruth McIntosh, a graduate of the Vancouver Playhouse Acting School). Both hitchhikers are escaping from broken homes in north Ontario towns to seek their luck as street hustlers in what an overhead electronic callboard identifies as "TO, Hogtown, Taranna."

The pair become hardened prostitutes in a grim milieu of pimps, drug peddlers, hookers and hoodlums who hang around pinball arcades, doughnut shops, video stores and the Eaton Centre.

Playwright Rodger has been quoted as saying condescendingly, "A journalist works within the parameters of what can be proved. My parameters were what can be felt."

On the contrary, I felt nothing at all about the fate of his two runaways. Unlike the ill-starred lovers in *West Side Story*, which was a well-crafted play, I couldn't identify with them.

They became two cliched symbols who got lost in the garish sets and murky lighting of designer Graeme Thomson. And their feelings, if any, were crudely expressed in composer John Mills-Cockell's ersatz Kurt Weill-like tunes done with a hard rock beat.

After the lights went up on this confusing kaleidescope of a show, I took a walk to Yonge and Dundas. There the pathetic sight of a 15-year-old whore on the corner trying to sell sex to the Johns who were passing by really moved me profoundly.

Wicks tells poignant tale of British "evacuees"

No time to Wave Goodbye, by Ben Wicks. Stoddart Publishing Co., $24.95.

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By
BERNARD BASKIN

For hundreds of thousands of London children, the Second World War meant removal to a strange and unfamiliar part of the country — to new homes and "borrowed parents." These "evacuees," were fleeing from the expected bombing of civilians. They became part of the greatest movement of people that Britain had ever undertaken.

The experiences of the children differed widely. Some found loving care, affection, responsive friends and stimulating activities. Others became victims of abuse, squalor and bigotry. Hardly a child was left untouched by the experience; many had their lives irrevocably altered.

They lined up bravely at the railway stations, holding back tears, clutching tiny bags and precious toys, and child-sized gas-masks. Their parents waved to them and wondered about tomorrow.

Ben Wicks, one of Canada's most celebrated cartoonists, wrote to the editors of newspapers in Britain, Canada, Australia and South Africa asking for communications from those who had been evacuated 50 or so years before. He received 8,000 replies by letter and telephone. He had uncovered a chapter of modern British history that had been neglected and forgotten for half a century.

Wicks tells his own poignant story and provides vignettes and snatches of recollection from a wide variety of men and women who look back with pride, consternation, wonderment, thankfulness and fear.

In the book's final chapter, Wicks describes the visits of the one-time evacuees to the homes and villages and foster-parents of a half-century before. These pages are filled with heartwarming reunions or memories of lost opportunities.

Many of the villagers had never seen a Jew and anti-semitism in the rural areas was rampant. England's Chief Rabbi, taking into account the emergency, decreed that it was not necessary to eat only kosher food.

When one Jewish girl arrived at her foster home the woman began to look in her hair. "I said to her, 'We've got clean ears, what are you looking for?' And she said, 'I'm looking for your horn.' " This kind of ignorance was not unusual. A similar story is related by several of the evacuees.

One young girl recalls, "There were three of us Jewish children there and they kept telling us that it was our fault that Jesus had died on the cross. The war was also our fault — it was a direct retribution and the world was going to end. There was a thunderstorm going on as they were telling us this and we were quaking in our boots."

Of special interest to Torontonians will be the comments of Monty Mazin, a well known communal worker who was evacuated to Totness in Devon. "Later my family were the first Jewish family that ever settled in Totness, which is the second oldest town in England. When my 5-year-old brother went into the Catholic school he went into a tantrum and said no way was he going there because he had seen Jesus on the cross and said, 'My baba (grandmother) will kill me.' "

No Time to Wave Goodbye is replete with human interest material. How could it be otherwise as men and women remember a dark age and recount their childhood impressions?

The photographs are touching, and evoke an age that seems strangely remote and far away.

Circus dates set for Hamilton venue

TORONTO —

Gunther Gebel-Williams, a lion tamer extraordinaire, is appearing with the Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey Circus at Copps Coliseum in Hamilton for eight performances, Nov. 9-13.

Gebel-Williams has spent most of his life among snarling tigers, at the foot of 5-ton elephants, or surrounded by a thundering herd of Liberty horses.

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WAIMEA, Kauai —
Near this spot in one of the Hawaiian islands, Captain James Cook made his first landing in the island group in 1778. While it was once an important port for whaling and the sandalwood trade with China, today visitors come to see the nearby Waimea Canyon, a smaller version of Arizona's Grand Canyon.

From a protected viewing point this travel reporter watched the changing colors in this 10-mile (16 kilometre) mountainous chasm as the sun poured through a cloudy sky. The canyon is 3,657 feet (1,120 metres) deep — a winding gorge cut through the volcanic rock by ancient rivers.

On this almost circular island, is believed to be the wettest spot on earth, 5,800-foot (1,548 m) Mount Waialeale, where it rains 335 days of the year. On the east coast near the main city of Lihue is the Wailua River with waterfalls and a grotto reached by riverboat where marriages often take place.

On the island of Hawaii, the largest of the archipelago, is the world's biggest active volcano, Mauna Loa. It is in Volcanoes National Park with trails for hiking, roads close to the volcano rim, a fern jungle and a tunnel created by lava flow. If the volcano is not erupting you'll walk as I did close to steaming cracks in the earth, look down into a crater and see bubbling lava. At night there are volcanic fireworks from various spots.

Volcanoes are but one attraction on Hawaii, known locally as the Big Island. On the west coast is the City of Fefuge National Historic Park, a quiet palm-studded area with a small restored thatched roof temple. Around the temple is a palisade. Both inside and outside this wooden wall are ancient carved wooden Polynesian tikis or gods.

During wars and political arguments ancient Hawaiians used to come here to seek refuge from pursuit or attack. When I visited the refuge there were food offerings before the carved tikis inside the palisade.

The days when whaling was big business in the Hawaiian islands can be recalled on the island of Maui, where Lahaina is a former whaler's village. Today there is a long ocean-sided street with wooden-front shops, restaurants and historic buildings. The waterfront has a conglomeration of fishing boats for deepsea fishing, glass-bottomed boats for looking at nearby coral seabeds, and a variety of private yachts.

While whaling as a business has ended, today's tourists come to see whales off shore, even while playing golf on one of several courses on the island. Lahaina also has a sugar cane train through nearby sugar cane fields where you can see how the cane is harvested and put through the mill for sugar and rum.

A major scenic sight on Maui is the Iao Valley, a volcanic area with tropical growth covered mountains up to 5,700 feet (1,737 m) high. In almost the valley's centre is the Iao Needle, rising 1,200 feet (360 m) above the valley floor. You can walk up the spike part way for a view of the valley and the ocean in the distance.

First landing for most visitors to the Hawaiian islands is Honolulu. You'll feel the warm air, be pleasantly surprised by the orchid necklace placed about you at the airport, but otherwise arrival is like that at any big airport. Honolulu is now the 13th largest city in the United States and filled with tourist attractions, best known of which is Waikiki Beach with its wide, curving strip of white sand beach 2½ miles (4 km) long. My most enjoyable sight there are the surfers riding the Pacific Ocean's whitecapped waves.

Of the many attractions in Honolulu don't miss the Polynesian Cultural Center at Laie, some 40 miles (64 km) from Honolulu. Here you can watch activities, customs and dances of the native people of the entire South Pacific Ocean region.

In Honolulu visit the Iolani Palace where Hawaiian kings and queens lived till late in the last century. Nearby is the legislature, the state capital built in 1969 along Hawaiian lines. In front of it is a bronze statue of the last queen and songwriter Queen Liliuokalani.

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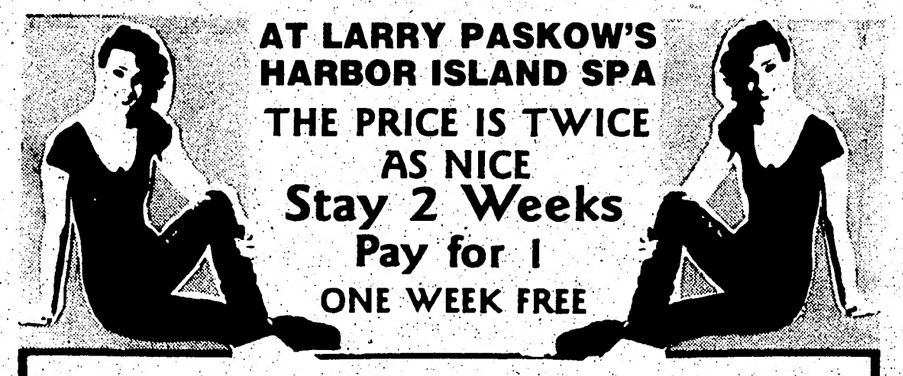

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Daily birthday parades held

Mickey Mouse marks 60 years at Magic Kingdom

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. —

The world's most famous mouse celebrates his 60th birthday in November at Walt Disney World with a daily birthday parade, a Magic Kingdom land of his own, and the opening of Disney's family-priced Caribbean Beach Resort.

The partying for the Nov. 18 milestone started early with the addition of Mickey's Birthdayland in the Magic Kingdom this past June. Guests tour the star's house in the suburb of Duckburg, attend a surprise birthday party at Minnie's place and visit backstage with Mickey himself in this newest land in the theme park.

Other Walt Disney World additions include the luxurious Grand Floridian Beach Resort — a time journey to an elegant Victorian vacation — which opened in July and the Norway Showcase at Epcot Center — complete with a thrilling Viking voyage through the Maelstrom — which also opened this summer.

Beginning Oct. 1, "Mickey's All-American Birthday Parade" takes place daily on Main Street U.S.A. Dancing scarecrows, acrobatic lumberjacks and lumberjills, southern belles, skateboarders and trick bikers, and all the Disney characters aboard Rockwellian American floats wish Mickey a happy birthday as the parade winds through the Magic Kingdom.

Town Square is the new lead float for the parade with the gothic farmer couple, a knickered boy on a big wheel bicycle, a pantalooned girl on a scooter, the baker and his wife with Mickey's birthday cake, and all the townspeople going to Mickey's party.

Also new is the southern mansion with Donald Duck and Daisy doing their Rhett and Scarlett imitation on their wisteria-covered front porch.

The first 768 rooms of Disney's family-priced Caribbean Beach Resort opened Oct. 1. Located on 200 lushly landscaped acres southeast of Epcot Center, the tropically themed, brightly colored resort's "villages" surround a beautiful 42-acre tropical lake.

Villages, made up of clusters of two-storey buildings, are themed in Caribbean styles — Trinidad, Martinique, Barbados, Aruba, Jamaica — that blend cool pastel walls, white-wood railings and vividly colored metal roofs. When completed in summer 1989, the resort will have 2,112 rooms.

15-minute spectacular

Fall will also give most visitors the first opportunity to see "Illuminations" (presented by GE) at Epcot Center. The nightly 15-minute spectacular uses thousands of twinkling lights, scores of lasers, fountains, fireworks, color projections, spots and floods; plus global images appearing over, around and in front of the 11 World Showcase nations.

In the just opened Norway Showcase, guests ride 16-passenger Viking boats on a dark and mysterious Nordic voyage, dine on authentic Norwegian cuisine in Akershus Restaurant, and browse through shops in a Norwegian village.

Even though the tour portion of the Disney-MGM Studios will not open until next spring, production is well underway on its soundstages and backlots.

Disney's new flagship hotel, the Grand Floridian Beach Resort, is the first hotel built on the monorail line since 1971. The 900-room hotel, recalling the fabled Florida beach resorts of the 19th century, is Disney's newest themed resort adventure.

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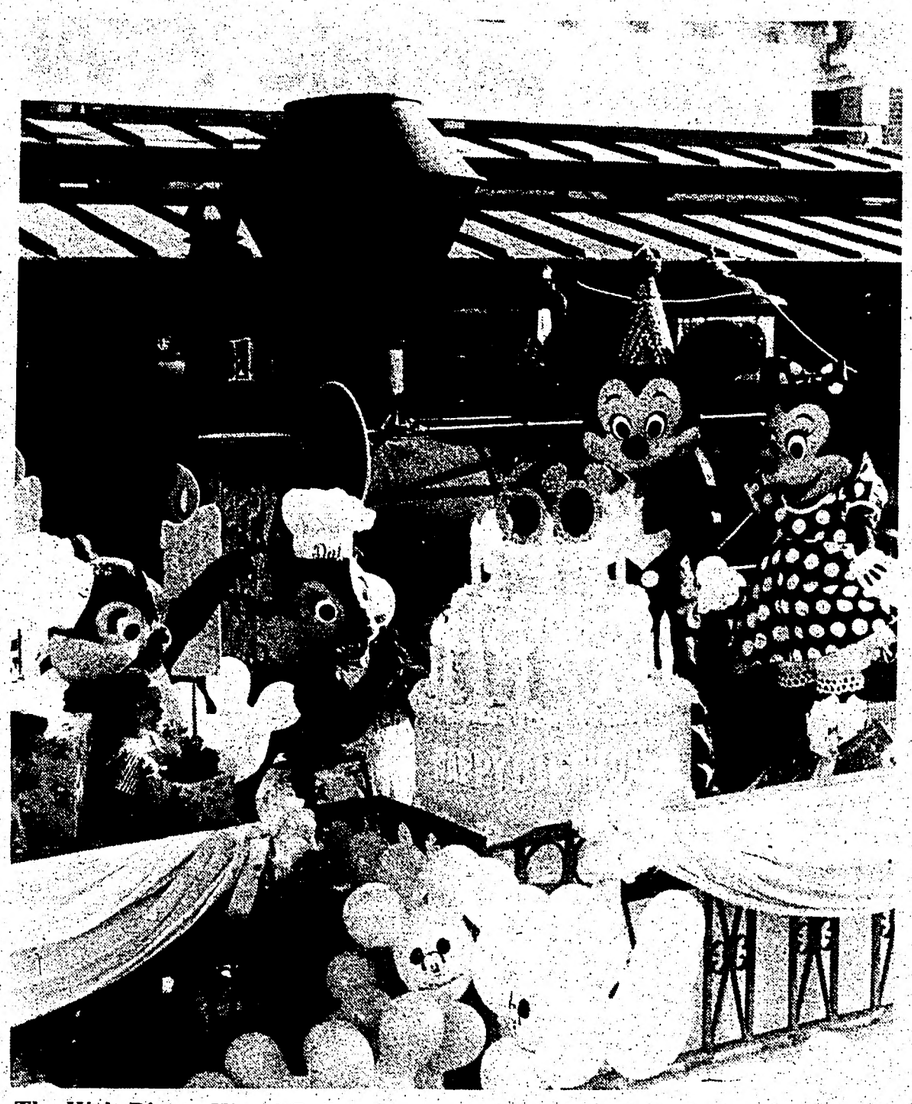

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MONTREAL — El Al Israel Airlines is offering a series of inclusive packages and sidetrips for Canadians who want to get away to where the weather's warmer, the airline has announced.

A prime example is El Al's "Seniors Stay-Put Package." For $1,265 Cdn. per person, based on double occupancy, the airline offers return airfare non-stop Montreal-Tel Aviv, 22 days and 20 nights in excellent hotels, like the Eilon or Knesset in Jerusalem, the Tal in Tel Aviv and the Ginot Yam in Netanya, plus buffet-style Israeli breakfast each morning.

For just $11 per person per day, travellers can purchase the half-board option which adds the choice of either daily luncheon or dinner as well as breakfast. People can stay in one city for all 20 nights or split their stay amongst Tel Aviv, Jerusalem or Netanya, as long as they book in advance and follow the minimum stay guidelines for each location.

El Al also offers the Seniors Stay-Put on a 5-star basis, using hotels like the Laromme in Jerusalem and Tiberias and the Carlton in Tel Aviv for $1,750 per person.

At least one member of a couple must be over 55 for the two to qualify for the package.

El Al has brought back its popular "Sunsational" package. It includes round-trip airfare from Montreal, six nights accommodation in either Tel Aviv or Jerusalem, full Israeli breakfast each morning and a free Hertz car for six days (mileage, fuel and insurance extra).

Escorted tours

Sunsational is priced at $1,175 Cdn. per person based on double occupancy. Upgrades to either Deluxe or Deluxe Plus hotels are available for $1,250 and $1,320, respectively. Breakfast is not available with all upgrades.

Three escorted tours round out the major El Al packages for the fall/winter season. There are 13, 15 and 22-day offerings which are available, respectively, at $1,645, $1,715 and $1,980 for most of January and February.

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The U.S. capital is filled with a dazzling array of museums, most of which are free and open to the public seven days a week. The Smithsonian's 14 museums and National Zoo are enough to keep anyone busy for a lifetime. But besides these obvious visitor delights, Washington offers an intriguing collection of lesser-known, smaller museums which are equally as fascinating and well worth a trip for the repeat Washington visitor. Several of these are in Washington's Dupont-Kalorama neighborhood.

The "Dupont-Kalorama" area refers to the blocks surrounding Dupont Circle (intersection of New Hampshire, Connecticut and Massachusetts avenues) and Kalorama Road in northwest Washington. First developed in the 1870s, this largely-residential area became widely known for its embassies, grand mansions and distinguished homes. In addition, smaller, elegant townhouses were built along winding Kalorama Road (north of Dupont Circle) and surrounding streets.

A walk through this historic area provides the visitor with a unique combination of visual charm and eclectic array of restaurants, sidewalk cafes, art galleries and specialty shops. A mixture of Victorian, Georgian Revival and Beaux Arts architecture gives the area its charming character.

Today, the Dupont-Kalorama neighborhood also provides a lovely, relaxing setting for a visit to several museums including the following:

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Modernist works

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Business Outlook

Business community surprised as JDS buys Wonderland

TORONTO —

Toronto real estate developer Jack Israeli surprised the local business community recently by purchasing 80% of Canada's Wonderland at a price of $140 million.

Israeli is the major shareholder in JDS Investments Ltd., a company he started on borrowed money 20 years ago. Today, JDS, whose real estate portfolio includes several large suburban shopping malls, boasts assets of close to $500 million.

Edward and Peter Bronfman are also major shareholders in JDS.

The Financial Post reported that Israeli plans to keep the amusement park open, but has his sights set on redeveloping portions of the 370-acre property, about two-thirds of which is occupied by the theme park and its extensive parking lots.

Wonderland, located just north of Metropolitan Toronto off Highway 400, was purchased from its former controlling shareholder, Kings Entertainment Co., of Charlotte, NC.

The firm will retain a 20% interest in the park. As well, Kings signed a 10-year renewable management contract with JDS.

JDS, which went public just over a year ago, has residential and multi-use buildings among its properties, but suburban shopping malls are its largest developments.

Malls developed by JDS include Markham's Markville Shopping Centre, the Pickering Town Centre, Mississauga's Eaton Sheridan Place and the Sudbury City Centre.

Israeli is a Polish-born Jew who lost his entire family during World War II. He spent part of the war in concentration camps, and made his way to Israel in 1948.

He served as a sergeant in the army for two years and lived in Israel for another eight before moving to Canada in 1958.

The father of three children, Israeli is active in many Jewish organizations, especially those dealing with Holocaust remembrance.

Jack Israeli

Netanya founder Ben-Ami dies at 83

NETANYA (JPFS) —

Oved Ben-Ami, the founder of Netanya and father of the Israeli diamond industry, died last week at the age of 83.

Born in Petah Tikva in 1905, Ben-Ami devoted his life to the industrial and urban development of the state.

In 1929, convinced that the Jewish community in Palestine needed a Jewish city between Tel Aviv and Haifa, he chose a site of 1,400 dunams on the coast that had changed hands for 500 sheep a few years before. The site became the nucleus of modern Netanya.

His efforts to establish the new settlement on a sound financial footing led directly to the founding of Israel's diamond industry, today worth more than $2 billion (U.S.) a year in export earnings.

The idea occurred to him when an Arab customs officer was looking unsuccessfully for a diamond-cutting shop to help evaluate imported diamonds.

Ben-Ami flew to Europe in 1940 in an effort to persuade Jews in the Belgian diamond industry to immigrate. Few came before the Nazis invaded, but it sufficed to start the new enterprise.

He became the first president of the Diamond Manufacturers Association and served in that post until 1952.

Israeli drug firm swallows competitor

NEW YORK (JTA) —

—ABIC Ltd., a privately held pharmaceutical firm based in Israel, has been acquired by Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. for $22.6 million, it was announced here recently.

ABIC is the second largest pharmaceutical company in Israel, with sales of $41 million in 1987, and a $4 million profit after taxes.

Teva Pharmaceutical is the largest pharmaceutical company in Israel, with sales of $149 million and post-tax profits of $16 million.

The announcement was made by Axiom Capital Corporation and Israel Corporate Finance, Inc., investment banking firms that initiated the takeover. Funding was provided by Claridge, a Canadian investment company controlled by Charles Bronfman.

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Business Outlook

Israeli bank share roll-over expected to receive support

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON — Roll-over of $3.6 billion in Israeli bank shares guaranteed by the Government of Israel due for redemption at the end of October is expected to be accepted by most shareholders, the bulk of whom are Israeli financial institutions, The Financial Times of London has reported.

Terms announced by the Israeli Treasury were described as "attractive" in the newspaper's report from Jerusalem. It said the treasury "dissipated a large cloud hanging over the national economy" and apparently removes the "liquidity crisis posed by the looming redemption."

The $3.6 billion constitute the bulk of the private banking system's shares affected by a market crash in October 1983. To protest the system, the government guaranteed the pre-crash market value of the shares.

Gad Arbel, the treasury's capital markets commissioner, was reported as saying holders of 5-year bank "arrangement" shares wishing to cash in their securities on Oct. 31 will receive the shekel equivalent of $104 for every $1,000 worth but if they choose to extend their life for a further three years, on maturity they will be entitled to $125.50.

The terms offered represent a 6.5% annual yield, tied both to the U.S. dollar and the Israeli domestic cost-of-living index, whichever is higher. The securities can be traded on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange, in effect transforming them into index-linked government bonds, the London newspaper said.

Shares totaling $660 million and $820 million were redeemed in October of 1985 and October 1987, mostly by small private shareholders. An estimated $700 million are due in October of next year.

Will focus on real estate

Marketing firm expands to To.

TORONTO — Kelly Lavoie, a real estate marketing and communications firm, has opened an office in Toronto to add to its Montreal and Vancouver bases.

The firm launched its full-service Toronto operation at a reception for senior executives of Canada's development companies.

In 1980, Kirk Kelly, a University of Toronto graduate, established a 1-man copyright and design shop in a sparsely furnished loft in Old Montreal. Today Kelly Lavoie, with partners Kelly, Chris Strachan and John Aylen, employs 30 people.

"We design and produce everything from brochures, billboards and hoarding to complete marketing presentation centres, videos, direct mail campaigns and advertising," said vice-president Strachan, who heads the Toronto office.

The real estate marketing field in Toronto is served by a handful of companies with a near stranglehold on the business, Kelly says.

"Our big project right now is marketing the World Trade Centre in Old Montreal," said Aylen, who was the company's first full-time copywriter in 1982 and now is senior vice-president and creative director.

"The World Trade Centre involves a number of key communications and merchandising concepts, all combined to provide opportunities for its occupants."

"Our focus in Toronto will begin in real estate," said Strachan. "After our first six months in Toronto, we'll establish divisions with experts specializing in such areas as pharmaceutical marketing and corporate communications where we've already established ourselves in Montreal."

Over the past three years, the company has produced a quarterly magazine called The Canadian Extract for Merck Frosst Canada Inc., Canada's largest pharmaceutical company.

Communities outside the Metro Toronto core also need marketing plans to attract the right kind of developer, Strachan said, pointing out that over the past 3 years, the amount of office space outside the downtown core has increased considerably.

Downtown office space goes for $30 to $65 a square foot, he said, while high-quality office space outside the core rents for $22 a square foot or less and represents lower operating costs and better access to labour pools.

The Kelly Lavoie team partners are (from left) John Aylen, Kirk Kelly and Chris Strachan.

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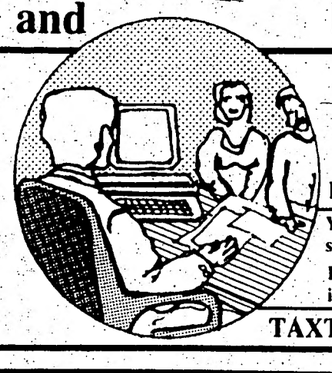

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Business Outlook

Meets needs of businesses

Hapoalim establishes trade finance division

TORONTO — Bank Hapoalim (Canada) has announced that establishment of an international trade finance division.

The bank says the division was set up "to answer the growing needs of small- and medium-sized businesses seeking specialized services for their import/export activities. It will provide customers with a variety of trade-related services, including export and import lines of credit, letters of credit, international collections and payments, and foreign exchange."

David Smiles, newly appointed manager of trade finance at the bank, said, "The bright prospects under the Canada-United States Free Trade Agreement on Tariffs and Trade means that small- and medium-sized Canadian businesses are becoming more active in exporting and importing products.

"Bank Hapoalim's commitment to quality personalized customer service enables us to serve the trade finance needs of our clients with the flexibility they require.

"They also benefit from the 65 years of experience our internationally respected parent company, Bank Hapoalim (B.M.) of Israel, has developed in world financial markets. With 340 branches and offices in 14 countries, we offer customers access to the world's major business centres."

To promote its international trade finance capabilities, Bank Hapoalim (Canada) is one of only three banks represented at the Toronto Export Marketplace 88 Trade Show, an annual event organized by the international development branch of the department of external affairs. The trade show is one of the principal events of Canada Export Trade Month.

Bank Hapoalim (Canada) spokesman Alan Feld said the bank's presence at the trade show for the first time will "give exporters and importers some exposure to the varied services Bank Hapoalim can offer.

"They can meet some of the qualified people on our staff, learn the nature of our services and consider options they may not have encountered before," Feld said.

In addition to the trade show participation, the bank, in concert with Goodman & Goodman and Touche Ross and Co., is also organizing a series of breakfast seminars to inform trade finance clients of the opportunities and pitfalls of expanding their trading relationship with the United States. The seminar series, entitled "Importing and Exporting: Taking Advantage of Recent Developments," is scheduled to run on Nov. 8 and 22.

Israeli OTC shares are due for comeback: U.S. analysts

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — Several Israeli companies listed on the United States over-the-counter market were recommended as good long-term investments by analysts interviewed in a recent Wall Street Journal.

The article, appearing in the OTC Focus column, said that after a severe battering in the Black Monday market crash, as well as poor U.S. sales and an overvalued shekel, most Israeli OTC shares were ready for a comeback.

It quoted John Westergaard of New York-based Equity Research Associates as saying: "Those who are willing to take the chance can make three to five times their money" in the next three years.

Westgaard said the key to the turnaround is next month's Israeli elections, which should be followed by the devaluation the industrial sector has been urging for many months.

Israeli companies listed on Nasdaq, or the OTC, are principally high-technology concerns, heavily dependent on export sales.

The paper said the Israeli companies have already begun the turnaround because of the country's lower inflation and their efforts to cut costs and introduce new products.

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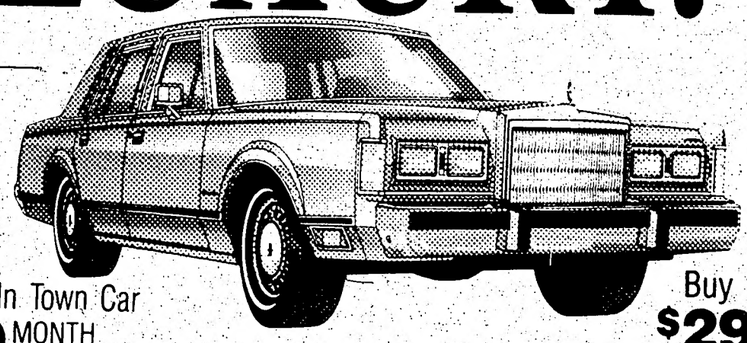

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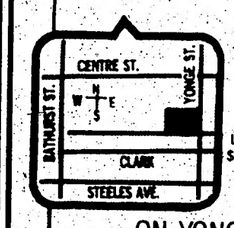

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SPRING FARM — WALK TO SYNAGOGUE
Magnificent 3,000 + sq. ft., 4-5 bdrm., features oversized fam. rm., wet bar, & firepl., huge master. Evelyn Pollock, 731-7111.

AVENUE RD. - LAWRENCE — TUDOR DELIGHT!
Charming 4 bdrm. on prestigious street, original architectural details, 2 firepl., leaded glass bay window, Ruth Zbarsky, 731-7111.

BATHURST VILLAGE — VACANT & READY!
A real dreammm! Renovated 5 bdrm., better than new! Sauna, Jacuzzi, landscaped, quiet street. Try an offer! Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

GREENLANE — BIG HOME — LOOK NO FURTHER!
Super location, quiet cul-de-sac. Spacious 4 bdrm., mn. flr. fam. rm. & study, circular staircase, grey & white decor. Neil Bocknek, 731-7111.

BATHURST — HERITAGE ESTATES — RAVINE LOT!
Fabulous ravine lot! 4 bdrm., elegant liv. rm., din. rm., fam. rm. & library. Marble firepl., gourmet kitch., fabulous ensuite. Stan Sukerman, 731-7111.

BATHURST — STEELES — MUST BE SEEN
Just listed! Fabulous 3 bdrm., all brick, backs onto park. Fam. rm., extras, $289,900. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES — THIS TOPS THEM ALL!
Immaculate 2,900 sq. ft., 4 bdrm., mn. flr. fam. & den, gorgeous fin. bsmnt. Premium lot, quiet cres. Andrea Ruth, 731-7111.

SPRING FARM — HOME & GARDENS SHOWCASE!
Fabulous 3 bdrm. + fam. rm., cathedral ceiling, hdwd. flrs. & ceramics, skylight, a real WOW house! Stan Sukerman, 731-7111.

BATHURST-CLARK — OPEN CONCEPT
Spacious 4 bdrm., on desirable street. Appls., air, extras galore! Must be seen! $372,900. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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MAGNIFICENT HOME
$1,595,000 - The finest in luxury homes to be built to suit purchase on huge lot in prestige area of Thornhill among million $ homes. For plans and schedules call Cathie Yarlett, 884-8700/731-5530.

GLENCAIRN/BATHURST!!!
$759,000 - 8 new homes/3 now under construction, prices up to $959,000 all 1989 possession, various styles & plans to choose from 4, 5 + 6 bdrm layouts! Hurry for best selection/price. Janet Schulberg, 481-3443.

DOCTORS, EXEC. AND YOU!
$695,000 - Bayview Village, beautiful 5 bedroom with private pool sized yard *perfect for entertaining* long closing!! Gayle Winter, 785-1136.

LAWRENCE/BATHURST/NEW
$695,000 - Under construction, almost 4,000 sq.ft. Plans/schedules are now available to view/time to choose finishings, 1989 possession/2 separate staircases to lower level, hurry! Bruce Mandell, 481-3443/884-2016.

THE ELEGANCE-SKYMARK
$495,000 - A superior Tridel design with 2,200 sq.ft. This suite has the prime view to the south, ensuite baths in each bedroom, fam. rm. with w/o to balcony, hollywood kit., 4 - 6 park spots, vacant. Laura Barnett, 494-6888.

SKYMARK II 1555 FINCH
$344,900 - This luxurious 2 bdrm. condo is fitted with superb rose pink brdlm & matching decor, a huge sunken l.r. is a major feature, approx. 1,700 sq.ft., 2 baths, 2 park spots & an open balc. Laura Barnett, 494-6888.

UNIONVILLE CONDO
$259,900 - Elegant 2 bedroom with magnificent pond view, 2 parking spots, locker. Fred Hansen, 481-3443/967-6474.

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OPEN ALL WEEKEND BY APPOINTMENT - 1 WYEGATE
BAYVIEW south of York Mills. Carlton Luxury Residence now nearing completion. Totally customized. Superior appointments throughout. $2,180,000.00. *BEV BURSTEIN, 223-5100.

THE BRIDLE PATH - CLASSIC ELEGANCE
SPECTACULAR 8000 sq.ft. home built by Carlton. Featuring luxury appointments and finishings. 4 car garage on scenic south lot for pool and tennis court. $3.8 m. *BEV BURSTEIN, 223-5100.

LESLIE - GREENLANE 1ST AD $458,900
BACKING onto park. This sparkling 4 bedroom 2 storey on cul-de-sac is in move in condition. *HEATHER SHERMAN/*BEV BURSTEIN, 223-5100.

CHAPLIN ESTATES - $559,900 SPACIOUS 4 BEDROOM
LARGE living-dining room, walk-out from den to private yard, private drive, freshly landscaped, finished basement, hardwood + + . *JEFF TABACHNICK, 223-5100.

WILLOWDALE BUNGALOW - 3 BEDROOM
2 bdrm. bsmt. apt. with sep. entrance. New kit., central air, upgrades. *ESTHER SISKIND, 223-5100.

BATHURST-FINCH EXCLUSIVE COURT $689,000
BUILDER'S own custom home. Vaulted ceilings, floor to ceiling windows overlooking wooded ravine. Oversided principal rooms. A must to view. *BEV BURSTEIN, 223-5100.

SPARKLING RAVINE $728,000 FABULOUS BAY KITCHEN!
WALK-OUT to deck. Finished walk-out bsmt. Bar, sauna, Nanny's quarters. 4 bedrooms, 5 baths, 2 fireplaces, study. Wow!! *JEFF TABACHNICK, 223-5100.

BAYVIEW-SHEPPARD CUSTOM HOME NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION
BY Barabco on south lot 50' x 150'. 5 bedrooms, 3 baths upstairs. Call to view plans $829,000. *BEV BURSTEIN, 223-5100.

STRATHALLAN WOOD & BATHURST
BEAUTIFULLY renovated raised bungalow. Skylights, finished basement. *YALLY ROSS, 223-5100.

LOCATION, LOCATION, BATHURST/SHEPPARD
Fabulous townhouse, 3 bdrm, family room, cac, huge kit. cathedral ceiling. *BECKY WENER, 224-2800.

RIDGEGATE-BATHURST S. OF STEELES 4 + 1 BDRM, 2 STOR
A must to see! Stunning! Every possible extra, 6 1/2 yrs new, fin. bsmt. hardwood flr. + + + . *L. SPEKTOR, 224-2800.

JUST LISTED BATHURST/DREWRY BEAUTIFUL SIDESPLIT
Main fl. fam. rm., incom bsmt. for 2 tenants, move in cond. steps to Bathurst, TTC. *C. FLEISCHMANN, 224-2800.

FANTASTIC VALUE OVER 3100 SQ.FT. BATHURST/STEELES
Main fl. fam. rm. & den, circular staircase, fireplace in master bdrm. $379,900. *RIK BIRKEN, 224-2800.

UPGRADED SIDE SPLIT BATHURST/CLANTON PARK
Fam. rm., sauna, eat-in kit, inlaws appt. in bsmt, steps to synagogue. *C. FLEISCHMANN, 224-2800.

BAYVIEW/HWY 7 "YOUR CHOICE" 2500-2700 SQ.FT.
Both homes have spacious foyers, 4 bdrms, open stairs, premium lots, cac, for viewing call: *MARLON GREEN, 224-2800.

BATHURST/CLARK "SPRINGFARM" JUST REDUCED $389,900
4 + 1 bdrms, fam. rm, nanny's quarters, fin. bsmt, cac, premium lot, dble gar. 4 baths. *MARLON GREEN, 224-2800.

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3 LUXURY CONDOS
BATHURST - South of Steeles. 1350 sq.ft. & 1400 sq.ft. Prime local. *YALLY ROSS, 223-5100.

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Bdrm, 2 full baths, huge balc, hardwood fl. new paint, broadloom, best view, vacant. *LEON KOGAN, 224-2800.

BATHURST/CLARK "PENTHOUSE SUITE" EASTERN VIEW
2 bdrms, 2 full bath, 1200 sq.ft. marble, appl, cac, parking for two, ensuite laundry. *MARLON GREEN, 224-2800.

BATHURST/CLARK $239,900 SPACIOUS, 2 BDRM, SUNDEN
24 ft. liv./din., lge kit, 3 exposures, neutral tones, laundry & storage, immed. poss. *ANNETTE LIPTON, 224-2800.

BATHURST/STEELES
Brand new 2 bdrm condo, lge kitchen with window, 3 appl, locker rm & laundry ensuite. *MARY FENYES, 224-2800.

YONGE/CLARK 3 BDRM, 2-STOREY FINISHED BASEMENT
2 - 4 pc, 2 - 2 pc. baths. *N. WEIZBLET, 224-2800.

BATHURST/STEELES NEW 2 BDRM 2-4 PC BATHS
Appliances, window coverings, owner will hold 1st. mort., steps to plaza, bus. *PEARLY DENNIS, 224-2800.

INVESTMENTS

ESTABLISHED JEWELLERY STORE $75,500
Yonge-St. Clair. Turn-key. Statements available. Excellent sales. For details **LAWRENCE WOLSTAT, 223-5100.

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WANTED YORK MILLS/BAYVIEW
Anxious purchaser wants home on good sized lot. Will renovate, flex. poss. $1 million range. B. Posluns, 488-2875.

WANTED DEVELOPMENT SITE
Residential north or nr city. prefer serviced but will consider all sites. Myrna Stone, 488-2875.

FOREST HTS BLVD. REDUCED!
Now at $2,150,000. This unique custom designed home is a fabulous buy. Hundreds of thousands of $ have been spent to make this magnificent property even more fabulous. Loretta Grammer, 226-1987.

EXQUISITE LOWER VILLAGE
$1,900,000. Wonderful entertaining flow. Magnificent living room, 5 bdrms, 2 baths, sun-filled kit. with w/o to patio and pool. Circular drive. Dble grge. Eleanor Wagman, 488-2875.

ATTENTION BUNGALOW LOVERS!
Spectacular renovated 5 bdrm California style ranch bungalow on magnificent 110' landscaped lot. Every amenity on one level Fab. entertaining flow. $1,575,000. Rena Bader, 226-1987.

LOWER VILLAGE $1,475,000
Custom built gem on quiet street. Spacious foyer, sunken L.R. Panelled library, 5 family size bdrms. Eleanor Wagman, 488-2875.

TWO LOTS FOR SALE
Just listed on 41 & 43 Forest Wood. Two large lots totalling 92 x 105. Vendors are motivated. For details Call S. David Alon, 488-2875.

FOREST WOOD "JEWEL" SOLD
Offers invited on this hand...ll 'Georgian" grand main flr. principal rms. Illness forces sale! Frances Alter, 488-2875.

PRIME BRIDLE PATH AREA
$1,295,000. Buys this 4 bdrm + residence in most sought after area. Renovate or build your dream home on 105 x 134 lot. A. Kamin, 226-1987.

OLDE THORNHILL 1ST AD!
Located on lovely 100 x 130 lot. This custom 5000 sq.ft. home features 9' ceilings, 5 bdrms, each with ens. bath. 3 car grge. Custom kit. Call Lionel or Saryl Spector, 226-1987.

BEST BUY IN VILLAGE !!
$1,250,000. Defies description, 9 bdrms, 6 baths, Private country grdn. VTB. 50 x 122, over 400 amp cir. brkrs. Fin. bsmt. Marg Hutchison, 488-2875.

LOWER VILLAGE BEST BUY!
Gorgeous Tudor on quiet street, Sun-filled family rm on main. Deluxe kit., breakfast rm., w/o to pool, 4 bdrms, 3 baths. Reduced to sell now! Eleanor Wagman, 488-2875.

BATHURST-GLENCAIRN
This custom home to be built in a most sought after area features 5 bdrms, oversized white kit. Mn flr fam rm. & lib. Fin lower level & exquisite finishes throughout. Fran London, 226-1987.

NEW LISTING GLENGROVE W.
Immac. 4 bdrm, 3 baths. Nanny's rm! Brkfst rm overlooks magnificent south landscaped lot! Mn. flr fam rm. + + + Ellen Wengle, 488-2875.

$999K 479 ORIOLE PKWY
Superb & spacious triplex. 8 + 1 bdrms, 7 + 1 baths. $69,000 yr income. Cent. air, extra storage, Triple grge. 40 x 140. Grdn. Marg Hutchison, 488-2875.

ORIGINAL SPLENDOR $899K
Restored & renovated, 5 bdrms, 4 frpls, Magnificent woodwork. Formal. Private dr. interlocking brick. 360 Spadina Rd. nr Heath. Vacant. Marg Hutchison, 488-2875.

YORK MILLS & BAYVIEW
$899,000 98 Heathcote nr Banbury. Split level. 75 x 130 w.indr. pool. 5 baths sauna, Dble Grge. Vacant. Marg Hutchison, 488-2875.

INVESTORS MULTI FAMILY ANNEX
Large semi 3 flrs. 25' frontage. Good income + owner's residence. Nr. Avenue Rd. North of Bloor. Excl. John Thomson, 488-2875.

RENOVATOR'S DREAM VICTORIAN
Prime annex Yorkville area. Offers easy cosmetic update. Vendor must sell! For details call Brenda Thomson, 488-2875.

UPPER VILLAGE REDUCED!
$599,000. Main floor den & pwdr rm. 3 bdrms + dressing rm. CAC! Updated! Deep lot on choice St. Eleanor Wagman, 488-2875.

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BAYVIEW/CUMMER REDUCED!
Now $560,000. Fab. ravine property + an excellent 5 bdrm home. Fam rm + Indry on Mn. 4 baths. 2 w/o's from Fin. lower level. 60' frontage. Million $ view! Call Rena Bader, 226-1987.

SIMPLY SENSATIONAL
Immac. 3 bdrm, 3 ens., bath – pwdr rm. Eat-in gourmet kit. Hdwd flrs. Pot lighting, 7 appliances, CAC, alarm sys, Central Vac. $525,000. Ellen Wengie, 488-2875.

CASA LOMA FOR U & FRIEND
3 separate units easily restored to one or 2. Wood & Open Hearth homes. $525,000. Excl with John Thomson, 488-2875.

599 OLD ORCHARD GROVE
Can be reconverted into a 4 bdrm, 3 bath home on a 45 x 150 lot. 3 car grge. Close to Shops, Synagogues & schools. Current use 2-2 bdrms, 1-1 bdrm. $495,000. Reesa Sud, 488-2875.

SPOTLESS LIKE NEW! $489K
65 Balmoral w/parking. Lge L-shaped lot. w/deck off kit. Panoramic view. Marg Hutchison, 488-2875.

LAWRENCE-BATHURST TRIPLEX
Golden opportunity to own 3 two bdrm apts. Large rms. 4 pkg. equipped with appls. near Lawrence plaza, synagogues on TTC. $469K Goldie Kay, 226-1987.

ST. CLAIR/YONGE TOWNHOME
Great location for professionals commercial zoning. 2400 sq.ft. M. Stone, 488-2875.

LOWER VILLAGE NOW $449,000
What a deal! 3 bdrm, open concept Mn flr. CAC. Garage + Front pkg. Call Jeffrey Wagman, 488-2875.

R/HILL ITS DEE-LOT-FUL!!
Exec. 4 bdrm, 3 baths, ens. step-up tub. Exceptional kit., CAC. hdwd, ceramic etc. w/o to 30' deck. Super large lot on secluded crt. Howard/Marsha Feldberg, 226-1987.

LESLIE/YORK MILLS $429,000
2 storey doll house on a great lot. Best area for schools. Myrna Stone, 488.2875.

$449K TO $399K YORKVILLE
39 Berryman, zoned for live-in prof. office. South City view. Part renovated. Marg Hutchison, 488-2875.

ST. CLAIR/YONGE
Architect's original home. R2Z2. Doctors etc. Great layout. 98 Shaftsbury. Myrna Stone, 488-2875.

35 PEARS REDUCED $349,000
On the Park w/Tennis. 3 + 1 bdrm, fin bsmt. Lge kit. w/sl. glass to grdn. Immed. Avail, 2 stry semi. Nr Roots. Marg Hutchison, 488-2875.

LESLIE/SHEPPARD
Luxury T.H. Like model, new brdlm. 5 appls. 2 frpls. w/o lower level to garden. Finest in prestige complex. J. Maguire/D. Weiser, 226-1987.

7440 BATHURST/CLARK
Lovely 2 bdrms corner unit. Sunden + balcony, 1433 sq.ft. Facing South. Call Dale Noble, 226-1987.

STUNNING BAYVIEW T.H.
1st Ad! Tri-del. new gourmet kit. Cathedral ceilings & frpl, w/o lower level to grdn. Master w/dressing area & open den. Small prestige complex. Donna Weiser/Jim Maguire, 226-1987.

WALK TO THE DOME SITE
68 Massey. chic-Vict. T.H. 2 + 1 bdrms, 1 - 5 pc. & 1 - 4 pc. bath, Renov. Super kit. Nanny-Granny apt. Dble Grge. J. Robinson/M. Hutchison, 488-2875.

1ST AD! BAR/RESTAURANT
Lakeshore W. Super set-up. worth more $230,000 asking with VTB. 2400 sq.ft. Myrna Stone, 488-2875.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY
Cleaners & Tailoring business in busy Sheppard/Bathurst plaza. Well established $65,000. asking. Reesa Sud, 488-2875.

EXEC RENTAL BAYVIEW/16TH
$2300/mon. superb 4 bdrm in demand area. Spacious new home on huge lot. Min. 1 yr lease. Rena Bader, 226-1987.

DWNTWN YORKVILLE RENTALS
$1400. to $1600. & $1500. with 5 appls. Hdwd flrs. brdlm. Nov. 1st & Dec. 1st. Call Marg Hutchison, 488-2875.

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CHAPLIN ESTATES
$399K - 179 CHAPLIN CRES. Prime southern exposure backing onto greenbelt. 2 storey 3 bedroom Tudor + heated Florida rm. Exceptional principal rms with French doors, stone fireplace, superb gumwood mantel & wainscoting. Finished lower level with side entrance, 4 pc. & 2 pc. bath, 2 car parking. John Part, 785-7019.

1ST. AD STEPS TO YONGE ST.
• RESTORED TO PERFECTION
$429K - Superb curb appeal in this 2 storey, 3 bedroom at Yonge/Lawrence. Cosy living and dining room with French doors and fireplace. All new Pella windows and doors includes double French Pellas with w/o to custom deck. New potlit design kitchen with w/o to deck. Oversized 4 pc with antique fixtures. Front deck + perennial garden + 2 car parking. Bruce Smith 785-7019.

FOREST HILL NEAR SUBWAY
Tudor style 4 bedroom, 4 baths + garage conversion to den. Dark stained floors, marble fireplace, modern white eat in kitchen with walkout to deck. Near Old Forest Hill Rd. For sale/lease, immediate possession. Bruce Smith, 785-7019.

ALEXANDRA WOOD AREA
$499K - Stonefront bungalow on gorgeous 50 x 135 ft. south facing lot. 3 Bedroom with attached garage. Large principal rooms with fireplace, eat-in kit., 3 baths, dark stained hardwood floors, Lower level rec. room + in-law apt. Near schools & Shules!! Ellen Richmond-Isakow, 785-7019.

BAYVIEW/YORK MILLS
• LUXURY TOWNHOUSE
$599K - Over 2300 sq.ft. 5 Bedroom + den, 4 baths, CAC, Lower level rec. room + maid's quarters. Andrea Iscoe 785-7019.

EGLINTON/OAKWOOD
$209,000 - Det. brick 2 bdrm bungalow with fully self-cont. bsmt. apt. 2 kits, 2 baths, f/p Priv. garden. Near all amenities. Coreen Morrison 785-7019.

FOREST HILL ESTATE SALE
$299K - Tudor 2 bedroom bungalow with attached garage + self contained bsmt. apt. Separate living & dining rm with f/p, eat-in kitchen, hardwood floors. Immed poss. Janette Hatcher 785-7019.

SOLID GOLD
HEART OF LOWER VILLAGE
$659K - With location comes opportunity. Detached 12 room property with 9 baths. Presently 6 legal units + owner's unit. Perfect for live in doctor, duplex or triplex potential. An abundance of parking. Vacant poss. Bruce Bewick, 785-7019.

CHAPLIN ESTATES
• SHOWS TO PERFECTION
$529K - Impressive 2 storey centre-hall residence near Yonge/Eglinton. 3 + 1 bdrm w/main fl. study. Magnificent wainscoting, floors & trim thruout. Modern galley kitchen with walkout to deck. Designer marble 5 pc. + new 3 pc., Firepl. Attached garage. Bruce Smith 785-7019.

ANNEX GOLD MINE
• ABSENTEE INVESTMENT PROPERTY
$669K - Legal income property, steps to subway. 3 storey, 13 rooms, 14 baths + luxury basement suite with f/p & sauna. 6 car parking, $80,000 + + gross income potential. Bruce Smith 785-7019.

1ST AD - CEDARVALE
GREAT HOUSE, GREAT LOT
$479K - updated 2-stry. 3-bdrm. w/att. gar.; near Cedarvale Park & School. Lge. principal rms. with w/out to deck; eat-in kit., new 4-pce. + 3-pce.; c.a.c. Bruce Smith, 785-7019.

1ST AD - CEDARVALE
BUY NOW - ADD ON LATER
$369K - det. 2-stry. 2-bdrm. w/att. gar., on 34 x 115-ft. lot. Sep. liv. & din. rm., potential for bsmt. apt., beautiful hrdwd. flrs. thruout; prime street. Bruce Smith, 785-7019.

1ST AD - CEDARVALE
SUPERB FAMILY HOME
$595K - Rare 5-bdrm. + den near Cedarvale park & subway. White eat-in kit., 4 baths incl. powder rm. & ens. W/out from den to custom deck & kidney-shaped pool. Nanny's qtrs., c.a.c., att. gar. Bruce Smith, 785-7019.

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Great opportunity to buy a delightful home for only $219,711. The perfect blend of comfortable living, choice location and affordable price. This home includes 3 bedrooms, 2 washrooms, wall to wall carpeting and more. You can't beat this for a real value. Call Patricia Bregman or Jennifer Stevens, 635-1170.

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A DREAM COME TRUE! ACT FAST
$850,000 May 89 Closing! Ravine Set! Perfect 10 Rm. Home + Walkout Bsmt. + Pool + Huge Lot, Near Finest Thornhill Schools, 5 Bedrooms, 4 Baths, To View Call Warren Cooper, 221-5515.

1ST AD: DON MILLS/STEELES
$294,900 Loaded 8 Rm. Home + In-Law Suite, New White Kit. + Mn. Flr. Fam. Rm. and Pool, Call Warren Cooper, 221-5515.

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GLENCAIRN - SUBWAY
$214,900 - 360 Ridelle - 3 bdrm, fabulous south-west view, new kitchen, new baths, professional decor, 3 piece ensuite, pleasure to show, pool, sauna, security. Access to shop, synagogue, TTC. D. Abraham, 783-3333.

CONDO - CONDO - CONDO
$174,900 - Glencairn - subway! 360 Ridelle, 2 bdrm, view, pool, sauna, walk to synagogue, shop, Bathurst - Lawrence 1 - 2 bdrm, view, walk to shop, synagogue - Yonge/Finch - 2 bdrm - fab. view. D. Abraham 783-3333.

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$239,900. Best value 2 storey semi. 4 bedrooms, updated throughout in neutrals, in-laws apt. with separate entrance, central air. Please call Judi Gottlieb, 449-2020.

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*****A JEWEL*****
$314,900. Quality & refinement at Bathurst/Sheppard. 3 bdrm., 3 washrms. Lge. principal rms. Splendid kit. renovation. Dorann Gottlieb/Allan Consky, 487-4343.

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BATHURST/CENTRE
$339,000. Charming 3 + 1 bdrm. backsplit, large family room, neutral decor throughout. A Showplace! Michele Church, 449-2020.

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JUST REDUCED! BAYVIEW VILLAGE
$489,000. Private cul-de-sac location. Lrg. 3 bdrm. side-split. Main fl. fam. rm., eat-in kitchen, 2 frpls., 3 baths, newly decorated, near T.T.C. Gabor Horvath, 449-2020.

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PERFECT RETIREMENT HOME
$549,000. Bright sun-filled rms. - natural light/skylites. Walk to York Mills subway. Large master suite, separate from other bedrooms. Barbara Butters, 487-4343.

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BAYVIEW/STEELES 2-STOREY
$589,000. Stunning 5 bedroom, main floor family room, totally upgraded kitchen. W/O to lovely pool area. Prof. fin. bsmt. Shows to perfection! Michele Church, 449-2020.

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SUPERB HOME ON RAVINE
$679,000. Fantastic value in Cricket Club area. Nearly new. 3100 sq.ft. 5 bedroom beauty. Appealing plan. Mint condition. Great view! Please call Joan Avery, 449-2020.

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BAYVIEW VILLAGE NORTH
$779,000. Quality built with "curb" appeal - 88' frontage creates the feeling of grandeur inside a centre hall plan. Please call Barbara Barker/Heddy Blaug, 449-2020.

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LOWER LINKS/OLD YONGE
$849,000. Stunning reno. 4 bdrms., 2 1/2 baths, main fam. rm. w/o to priv. gdn. Situated on most desirable cres. Near tennis courts, schools, E. Church, 449-2020.

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"BEAVERHALL DRIVE" YORK MILLS
$898,000. "UCCI" built 2 storey excellent family home. 5 bedroom. Main floor family room, library. Full finished basement. Pretty backyard. Judy Horvath, 449-2020.

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NEW CONSTRUCTION—OFF BAYVIEW!
$1,695,000. Picturesque setting of your dreams! Impressively gracious mansion exterior, 5 bedrooms, library, lot 60 x 267! Elegance! Call Judy Smith 449-2020.

MIDTOWN

UNDER $100,000, YONGE/EGLINTON
$87,000. One bedroom co-op apartment. Terrifc value! Please call Judi Gottlieb, 449-2020.

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WALK TO LAWRENCE SUBWAY
$374,800. Detached & renovated 2 storey log burning fireplace in master bedroom & living rm., 2 new baths & oak eat-in kit. with walkout. Judi Gottlieb, 449-2020.

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AVENUE RD. LAWRENCE
$439,000. A home with character. Totally redone. Deluxe kit., w/o to garden, garage, 3 baths, playrm. in lower level, immed. poss. Barbara Glenny-Bunting, 449-2020.

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ATTENTION DR'S./MT. PLEASANT-HEATH
$549,000. Live & practice in this fab. loc. 4 br., mod. kit., sun rm., w/o to large priv. grdn., fin. bsmt., c/air. fpl., dble. gar./addn'l. prk. B. Yanover, 449-2020.

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GOING, GOING, GONE!
$564,000. Leslie/York Mills priced just right! Vendor transferred. Bright & spacious home with all the right attributes! Barbara Barker, Heddy Blaug, 449-2020.

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LESLIE-YORK MILLS/DENLOW ESTATES
$579,000. Best buy in area! 4 - 6 bdrms. spacious panelled family room with walkout to deep garden. Lovely entry. Lots of extras. Call Natalie Schacter, 449-2020.

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EDWARDS GARDEN
$695,000. Home amidst a dreamy gdn. approx. 1/3 acre, 3 br., updated bung. New additional picture windows, new Hanover kit., prestigious crescent. K. Skiu, 449-2020.

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NEW 3,500 SQ.FT. AVENUE RD./LAWRENCE
$799,900. Fall '89 poss., gourmet kit., 4 bdrms., unique steel staircase, 2 car gar., extensive use of marble, wood & glassbricks - view plans Judi Gottlieb, 449-2020.

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Thank-you, thank-you, thank-you. It's me again, the guy with the Jewish mother and I just want to thank all of the lovely ladies who wrote in. I promised my Jewish mother I'd get a variety of Jewish girls to date, and would put my ad in one more time. Just for her, of course. So here I am, looking for any interesting ladies between 18-25 who would like to meet a real nice guy and have a lot of fun. I love downhill skiing and dinners, so think snow and write soon. (My coupon book expires end of December ... joke). Box #8855. CJN, 10 Gateway Blvd., Ste. 420, Don Mills, Ont. M3C 3A1.

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Cecille Andrews on Oct. 9/88, late of 110 Edward Street.
Mendel Kostiner on October 11/88, late of 10 Markdale Ave. #1.
Minnie White on Oct. 11/88, late of 60 Pleasant Blvd. #905.
Eva Seligman on Oct. 11/88, late of Baycrest Hospital.
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Bella Herman on Oct. 12/88, late of Cummer Lodge, 205 Cummer Ave.
Ludwig Klein on Oct. 12/88, late of Woodycrest Avenue.
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Ettie Milne on Oct. 13/88, late of 370 Ridelle Avenue #2602.

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Jacobs, Abraham on October 1, 1988.
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Silverberg, Saul on October 3, 1988.
Dworetz, Samuel on September 26, 1988, late of Snowcrest Avenue.
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Leaman, Klara on September 28, 1988, late of 6030 Bathurst St., #1015.
Mechali, Carlos on October 1, 1988, late of 132 Angus Drive.
Salamon, Sari on September 29, 1988, late of 569 Sheppard Ave. W. #101.
Shrott, Molly on September 29, 1988, late of 4160 Bathurst St., #203.
Waxberg, Saul on September 29, 1988, late of 22 Evanston Drive.
Weingarten, Rose on October 1, 1988, late of Jewish Home for the Aged.

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51 Unveiling

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Frances Burton** will take place on Sunday October 30th, 12 noon at Mount Sinai Memorial Park, Pride of Israel Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Dr. Morris M. Mink,** husband of Rita Mink and father of Sheila Grupp, grandfather of Henny and Sandy will take place on Sunday October 30th, 11a.m. at Mount Sinai Memorial Park, Shaarei Shomayim Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

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Hite: Let aged have romance

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — Nursing homes may be making a mistake in stopping romances between the elderly residents, says Shere Hite, the bestselling author of a trilogy of books on love and sexuality.

In her latest book Woman and Love: A Cultural Revolution in Progress, Hite disagrees with the stereotype of old women as lonely, depressed and sexless. The book was based on an extensive questionnaire answered by 4,500 women throughout the United States. Long-term care institutions for the elderly were among the places Hite distributed the questionnaire.

Hite was a guest speaker at the 17th annual clinical day, held recently at Maimonides Hospital Geriatric Centre on the theme Woman Today.

While the sexual act may not be possible among the frail elderly, Hite believes kissing, hugging, holding hands and simply having someone to feel special about are important for the institutionalized elderly who often are isolated.

Unfortunately, Hite said she found many institutions have rules against such contact between residents. She thinks physical closeness may be therapeutic for the elderly, observing that studies have shown that infants who are not touched affectionately do not flourish.

Among the women between the ages of 65 and 87 who responded — anonymously — to Hite's questionnaire, most were found to be living alone, but were by no means lonely. According to Hite, this gives the lie to the belief that all women are happier married.

"These women had friends, a social life, but they had found things they enjoyed doing alone: taking a bath, reading a book, masturbating."

Many of these older women, who had been married, commented that the first time they could do and say anything they wanted. "Some of the widows were very sad, but other said they felt relief. They said for the first time that they were living their own lives, that they were not being put down by someone, that they could be themselves," Hite said.

"They hardly fit the image of little old women huddling in their rooms with no one to talk to."

The other guest speaker of the day, Montreal-born Lionel Tiger, an anthropology professor at Rutgers University in New Jersey, made a similar plea for understanding of the elderly's social needs.

"We shouldn't condemn our elderly to solitary confinement. That would be a shame," Tiger stated.

Tiger, 51, described being lonely as an "illness," a state that is unhealthy for human beings of any age.

In the past, the people could enjoy their grandchildren in their old age, but today the elderly have fewer grandchildren, because of the lower birth rate, or the grandchildren live too far away because of greater mobility of people.

Married women are at the greatest risk of loneliness because on the average they will live seven to eight years longer than their husbands, Tiger said.

Society should not overlook the need to develop "emotional resources" for the elderly in its hurry to build institutions to house them in, Tiger suggested.

Paramedics go to the refrigerator to save lives

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

Responding to an urgent call, paramedics walk into a situation where a man, or woman, is having a heart attack. The victim is perspiring and disoriented. The spouse is distressed. Neither can answer any questions.

If this scene is in Calgary, one of the paramedics would go directly to the fridge. Thanks to Ruth Carnat and the Calgary chapter of the National Council of Jewish Women, paramedics, firemen and policemen all know the victim's medical biography, including next of kin, is in a "capsule of life" in the refrigerator.

"The fridge is a common reference point," said Carnat, 72. "The red disk attached to the fridge lets people know the information is inside."

Carnat originated the city-wide program about 10 years ago. She had heard about a similar program from a niece living in Hartford, Conn. and got excited about it. A long time member of the NCJW, Carnat introduced the idea at the organization's biennial meeting in Winnipeg in 1978.

Although the NCJW adopted the program, only in Calgary, thanks primarily to the efforts of Carnat, did the program get off the ground.

Because her late husband was a well-known psychiatrist in Calgary, official doors opened for her in government, police headquarters, among paramedics and at the Calgary General Hospital.

The hospital supplied her with thousands of empty capsules for the first three years, then helped her contact the manufacturer who offered to send her large quantities in return for the NCJW in Calgary paying the shipping costs and issuing tax receipts.

"Our NCJW was relatively poor at the time," recalled Carnat. "So I approached the Co-op stores and they agreed to donate money for the shipping costs ($400 a month)."

The NCJW contributed another $300 including money for costs related to printing which Carnat arranged to have done at a Calgary high school which had a printing press. The Calgary General Hospital arranged for the empty capsules to be delivered to the hospital.

"I did a lot of homework," said Carnat. "I solicited ideas from doctors and pharmacists and other people. One pharmacist suggested dating medication on the chart because a lot of older people hate to throw anything away."

In the last nine years, Carnat has given out hundreds of thousands of capsules, at no charge, to seniors groups, seniors residences, the Calgary General's cardiac rehabilitation unit, pharmacists and groups of people suffering chronic illnesses such as diabetes and epilepsy. And each sheet bears the logo of the NCJW.

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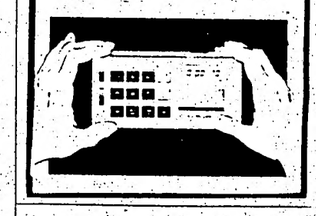

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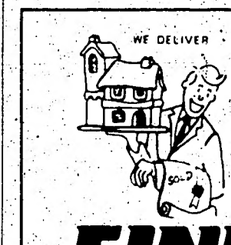

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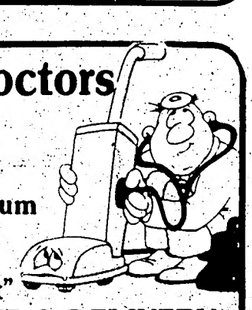

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Jews and Ukrainians In Canada

by Morton Weinfeld and Harold Troper

This article is abstracted from Harold Troper and Morton Weinfeld: Old Wounds, Jews, Ukrainians, and the Hunt for Nazi War Criminals in Canada, *recently published by Penguin Canada.*

THERE are 300,000 Canadian Jews and 750,000 Ukrainian Canadians in Canada today.

The majority share a similar ancestral place of origin: eastern Europe. Common features of the Slavic experience and environment can be found in eastern European Jewish culture and vice versa. The *shtetl*, the cradle of so much eastern European Jewish folklore, was nestled within a Slavic, often Ukrainian environment. Ashkenazi Jewish and Israeli music and dance remain to this day strongly influenced by the folk culture of Christian eastern Europe — there is nothing intrinsically Jewish or Israeli about the hora danced at every Jewish celebration. Foods such as *blintzes* or *halyshyky*, stuffed cabbage or *holubtsi* are common in both Slavic/Ukrainian and Jewish cuisine.

Both Jews and Ukrainians are also peoples with deep historical memory, and one of the ongoing characteristics of Jewish-Ukrainian dialogue is that both Jews and Ukrainians perceive themselves as victims and the other as a dominant and superior entity. Thus Ukrainians understand their history as a centuries long effort to achieve independence and freedom in Ukraine, struggling gallantly but unsuccessfully against Czarist Russian, Austro-Hungarian, Polish, Nazi and Soviet domination, and they see the continuing oppression of nationalists and clerics by the Soviet regime today.

Ukrainian agony is epitomized by the famine of 1932-33. Many Ukrainians feel that this greatest of their modern national catastrophies has tended to be ignored in subsequent history and historiography. It has not touched the consciousness of nations as have other twentieth century tragedies such as the Holocaust of European Jewry, the Armenian massacres of 1915 or the auto-genocidal tragedy of Cambodia. For some Ukrainian-Canadians, Jews appear in the historical legacy as aliens — subversive and corrupting elements in Ukraine. Thus, and this comes as a shock to most Jews, Ukrainian historical images describe Jews as having blood on their hands. Ukrainians in Canada certainly recognize and sympathize with the horrors of the exterminations engineered by the Nazis on their victims. But Jews have one advantage which soothes the historical trauma of the Holocaust. The Jews now have a homeland — Israel, an independent Jewish state, while Ukraine is still unfree. The Ukrainian diaspora remains dispossessed.

For many Canadian Jews, on the other hand, Ukrainians still appear as a collective representation of evil. Thus when confronted, albeit infrequently, by Ukrainian sorrows these Jews find it hard to feel sympathy for those whom they feel have been their persecutors. Added to this uneasy sense of the Ukrainian as heir to a pogromist tradition, is a cultural prejudice which pictures the Ukrainian as simple peasant — both in the old country and in Canada. Moreover, the creation of the State of Israel in 1948 and the 1967 Arab-Israeli war finished the process of separating the notions of "old country" and homeland. These are now two distinct entities. The "old country" is the place from which Jewish parents or grandparents emigrated or fled — a world of poverty, oppression and finally mass murder. By the third generation, many Canadian Jews would be hard pressed to recall, or to locate on a map, the precise town or even province of their ancestors.

After the trauma of the Holocaust, most of which took place on eastern European soil, interest in the "old country" is usually expressed by Jews only when it comes to the "rescue" of those few Jews who remain there. Few Jews wallow in nostalgia for the Ukraine of the non-Jews. Theirs were two different worlds. Even towns or cities were pronounced differently: Lviv for the Ukrainians, Lvov or Lemberg for the Jews, more often influenced by Yiddish or Polish forms.

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Ukrainian-Canadians View Ukraine as Ancestral Homeland

For Ukrainians, of course, the old country and the homeland are one. Ukraine was — is — their ancestral home, waiting to be freed from the yoke of Soviet domination. The care and concern which Jews lavish on Israel, a minority of militant Ukrainian nationalists similarly lavish on Ukraine — or rather, on Ukrainian dissidents, religious leaders and ordinary citizens chafing under the Soviet regime. Third or fourth-generation Ukrainian Canadians — like their Jewish counterparts — may no longer recall the names and location of ancestral villages; few, if any, would leave Canada and return to an independent Ukraine, any more than Jewish Canadians have moved to Israel. But for some Ukrainian Canadians, Ukraine still serves as a vital rallying point for identity in the diaspora.

With some irony, the rebirth of a Jewish state in Israel serves as a model for Ukrainian nationalists. They preserve the hope that the Soviet Empire will yet collapse, and a free and truly independent Ukraine will emerge from the rubble.

In Canada today, history and homeland continue to play major roles for both groups as they — or more specifically their leaders and major organizations — wage the struggle for group survival. They provide the emotional and intellectual glue that joins together the members of each group as they organize to shape its future.

Today, both the Jewish and Ukrainian polities are among the most "institutionally complete" in Canada. They boast a myriad of ethnic organizations and institutions of different types and objectives. An institutionally complete ethnic community can parallel the state, offering a cradle-to-grave cocoon for interested group members. Ethnic schools, newspapers, and community festivals can punctuate life's rhythms, and the elderly can live out their final years in special old-age homes that capture the cultural ambience in which they feel most comfortable.

Both Groups Have Intra-communal Tensions

But institutional completeness does not mean communal uniformity. Both communities have been marked with intra-communal tensions or conflict. Some of this has been ideological. The Jewish polity has split on standard left-right social issues, on Zionism and the degree of support for Israeli policy, and on religious issues.

These ideological disputes are also mirrored in the Ukrainian polity. Left-right rivalries are now somewhat muted as the Ukrainian community, like the Jewish, has become overwhelmingly anti-communist. Pro-Soviet factions are a tiny and increasingly aged minority. Yet even the nationalists have bickered among themselves about strategy, tactics and policies to be adopted vis-à-vis the Soviet regime and the struggle for human rights and cultural freedom in Ukraine. They also differ about how much energy to focus on Ukraine versus more local Canadian issues. For many Ukrainians, particularly in western Canada and among third and fourth generations, a constant focus on the homeland, and certainly dreaming about

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EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

IN this issue, we range the wide kaleidoscope of Jewish concerns and interests: religious, political, national, cultural.

Morton Weinfeld analyzes the historical experiences of both Ukrainian and Jewish Canadians; he traces the differences and similarities in their communal goals, particularly with regard to their yearnings for an independent homeland which the Jews have achieved and the Ukrainians have not done as yet. He explains how these experiences have led to inevitable tensions between the two groups, unfortunately exacerbated by the recent Demjanjuk trial.

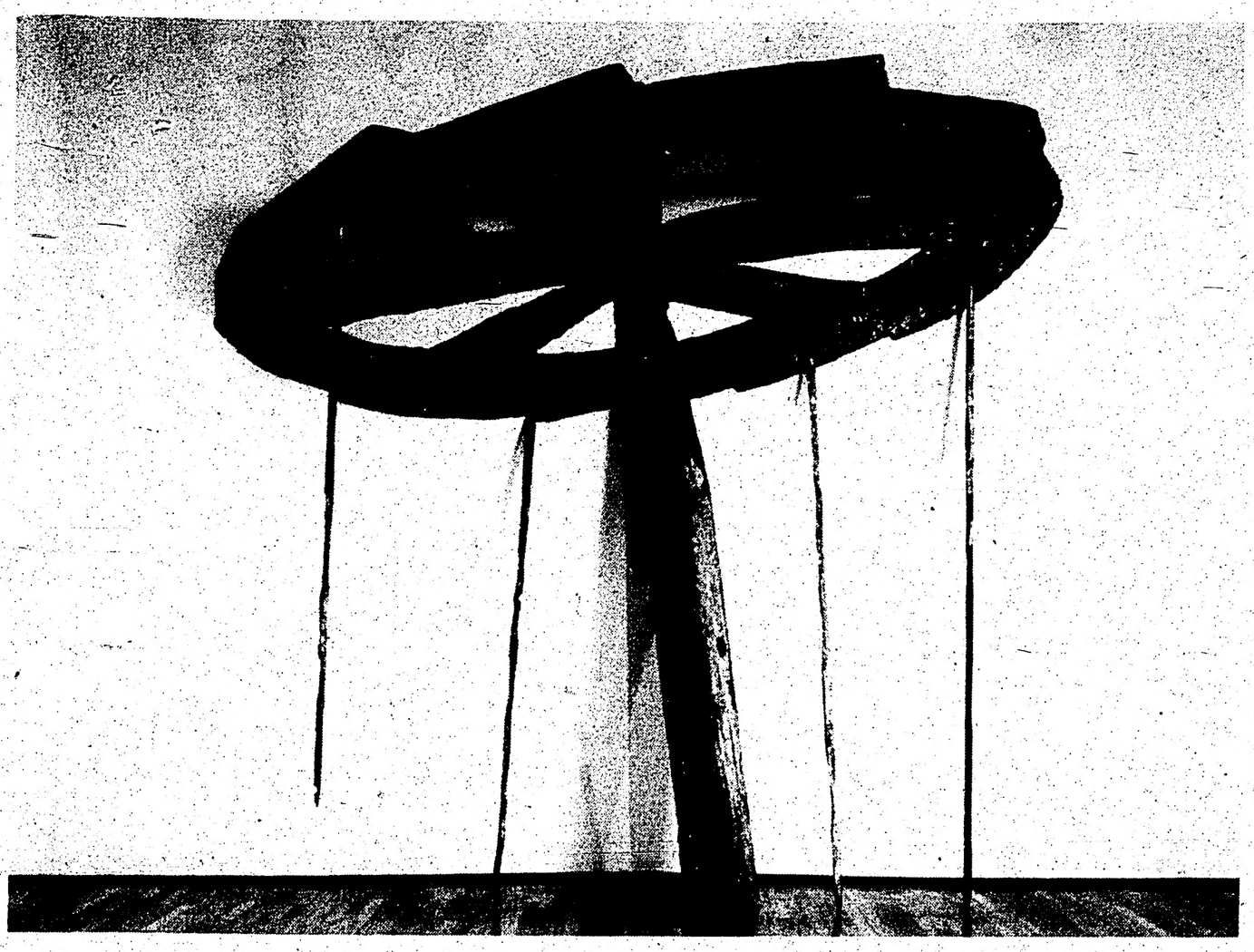
Rabbi Howard Joseph, in a keynote speech at the recent International Council of Christians and Jews in Montreal, provides a thoughtful review of traditional Jewish attitudes toward non-Jews. He carefully draws implications from biblical and scholarly texts which supports his view that no single religion has sole access to religious truth, and all of us must be prepared to learn from other religions which have developed their own particular perspective of God who is ultimately unknowable.

Bernard Zelechow offers a review-essay of Eugene Kaellis' recently published book: "Toward a Jewish America" (Lewiston/Queenston, The Edwin Mellin Press, 1987). Kaellis' main thesis is original and provocative: Jewish survival is in danger, and an active Jewish missionary drive to convert Christians to Judaism is necessary (and in his view, timely). Zelechow's thoughtful and detailed response makes interesting reading.

In "Idiot Feri and Clubfoot Pista" Robert Sherwood brings to life a Jewish complex in Budapest on the verge of occupation by the Hungarian Nazis, the Arrow Cross. His easy, almost light-hearted style evokes the affection in which two handicapped boys in the complex were held by the other Jewish occupants. When the Nazis move in, the mood changes, and Steiner's low-key factual description of their inevitable fate adds to the poignancy of his tale.

Robert Brym sends us an analysis of how the Israeli Government is, in his view, "killing the Soviet-Jewish emigration movement." Their recent decision last June to issue Israeli visas only to Soviet Jews committed to immigrate to Israel was made possible by what he describes as "labor's drift to the right." Our readers may have other opinions on this subject.

From Jerusalem, Dr. Michael Shalev has sent us a vivid description of a visit to an Arab hospital in Nablus, and his subsequent conversations with Palestinian leaders of the "Intafada" on how they have organized their resistance, their motivations and objectives. Obviously, the more each side in this tragic confrontation understands the psychology of the other, the closer they will be to a resolution of the present stalemate. Dr. Shalev's conclusion is that somehow "Israel must unburden itself of its coercive rule over the Palestinians."



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JEWS AND UKRAINIANS

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a liberated Ukraine, seems misdirected. It deflects from the real task of building Ukrainian life in Canada and of contributing to Canadian society. Similarly, at the 1986 Canadian Jewish Congress triennial plenary session, outgoing President Rabbi Gunther Plaut called for greater external involvement on the part of Canadian Jews in the affairs and needs of other groups. It was time, he argued, to move beyond an almost exclusive focus on Jewish concerns and Jewish victimization.

To what degree are members of a group aware of this type of activity by their ethnic organization? Are their leaders generals without troops? Do group members feel lobbying is effective and worthwhile? A 1978-79 survey of ethnic groups in Toronto sheds some light here. For Jews, 89 percent knew of ethnic organizations and 67 percent indicated they were now or had been members, compared to 57 percent and 51 percent for Ukrainians. Moreover, 49 percent of the Jews said they knew their leaders personally and 31 percent claimed frequent or occasional contact with them. The corresponding percentages for Ukrainians were 34 percent and 25 percent. Jews also tend to feel that politicians take their leaders seriously, and that their leaders have enough contacts, to a greater extent than do Ukrainians. All of these survey findings confirm widespread impressionistic assessments of the two communities. As perceived by the members of the respective ethnic groups and outsiders, the Jewish polity is thought to be better organized than the Ukrainian. But — and this is key — both groups are more active and better organized than any other ethnic communities in Canada.

The Toronto survey also provides some revealing data about the quality of ethnic life today for Jews and Ukrainians living in Canada's largest ethnic metropolis.

Overall, the survivalist imperative seems strongest for Jewish respondents. The pattern holds for a host of measures. Indeed, according to an ethnic identity scale devised by Toronto sociologist Wsevolod Isajiw, in the second generation — those with immigrant parents — 55 percent of the Jews and 28 percent of the Ukrainians score "high." But in the third generation, Jews are up to 60 percent and Ukrainians down to 4 percent.

Dramatic Gulf Between Post-War Ukrainian Immigrants and Third Generation

There is a dramatic gulf between the fervently nationalistic and highly identified post-war immigrant Ukrainians and their children — both deeply affected by the events of World War II and the immediate post-war period — and third or fourth generation Ukrainian Canadians. The latter are a more western Canadian, more assimilated, more intermarried group. They have less knowledge of current community politics or facility in the Ukrainian language. What are the tools available to Ukrainian Canadians to strengthen Ukrainian consciousness and identity? What, if anything, can be learned from the Jewish diaspora model of intergenerational survival in North America?

The imperatives of Jewish charity and communal involvement are continually reinforced by the unfolding drama of Jewish history. Jewish scholars have argued that the two decisive events shaping Jewish consciousness in the twentieth century are the Holocaust and the creation of the state of Israel. Indeed, Israel and the Holocaust continue to play dominant roles in Jewish self-definition. Many Canadian Jews visit Israel or receive visits from Israeli friends or relatives.

But Israel is more than a place to visit. As a symbol, it is intertwined inextricably with the Holocaust. It is the triumph of resilience and hope over chaos and despair. Israel and the Holocaust, more so in the 1980s than earlier, are intergrated into western historical experience. They thrust themselves onto centre stage of cultural, political and intellectual concerns of the west. Any Canadian Jew reading the front page of his or her daily newspaper has his or her Jewishness reinforced. There are stories dealing with Israel and the Middle East conflict, as well as stories about Keegstra or Zundel in Canada, or Mengele, Barbie and Demjanjuk abroad.

For Ukrainian Canadians, Ukraine at present cannot serve, in practical terms, the psychic and sociological roles Israel does for North American Jews. Ukrainian Canadians do not have the same luxury of exchanging visits with family or friends in Ukraine. Ukraine does

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One Way/Many Ways

by Rabbi Howard Joseph

This essay is a shortened version of the Keynote Address to the International Council of Christians and Jews Colloquium held in Montreal on Aug. 22, 1988.

UNTIL the modern period, the prevailing view of Jews towards other religions was that they were false. Despite this general view, Jews appreciated that the two religious groups among whom they lived, Christians and Moslems, did have some relationship to true religion to the extent that they borrowed and perpetuated Biblical teachings about God and human behavior. This view was held despite oppression and humiliation and, indeed, the denial of legitimacy to Judaism by those who maintained that it was a religion that had been superseded by the others. Remembering the context will enable us to appreciate that this attitude is remarkably generous.

Islam and Christianity Helped Conquer Idolatry

Thus, Islam and Christianity are credited with helping to remove idolatry from the earth as well as the excesses of violence and immorality associated with them in the eyes of the Bible. They also spread the idea of God as the Creator and giver of the Torah and commandments, and to prepare the earth for the true coming of the Messiah. At that time the misinterpretations of Judaic doctrine will be clarified. Meanwhile, the hope is often expressed that the individual believers in these faiths will live up to the religious and moral code they have derived from the Torah. Sometimes this code is referred to as the Seven Commandments of Noah, given to him after the deluge to ensure that humans never descend to the antedeluvian level of violence and immorality. Indeed, there are those who already are to be considered among the righteous or the pious of the nations, "*zadikei or hasidei umot ha-olam.*"

I suspect that we may not be completely happy with this view which was articulated throughout the Middle Ages by important thinkers such as Maimonides and others. However, we must seriously consider this view before moving on. In the minds of many today this might be the best that the adherents could indeed expect. Some would say that no change is necessary, possible or desirable. We might even wish to say that we no longer wish to comment upon another religion. It is not our business. Let each one go his own way. Meanwhile, we can live in peace and tolerance, respecting other human beings as creatures of God even though we have no opinion about the truth of their faith.

The latter position would be acceptable if indeed we not only refused to comment publicly and explicitly but were clearly neutral on the subject. However, would there remain no inner and implicit attitudes towards other faiths? Would these be neutral as well? And, if not, would they be likely to be favorably or unfavorably disposed towards other faiths?

For me this posture has become impossible.

Harsh Beliefs Lead to Murderous Deeds

Words uttered within a community as only words may eventually prompt and justify murderous deeds that were far from the original intention of those who spoke them. I am, of course, referring to our twentieth century experience of the Holocaust which has taught us that harsh beliefs and attitudes ultimately affect our behavior towards others. Deeds catch up with words and eventually the process of dehumanization can lead to destruction.

This latter realization does lie behind much of the work that we do. One must congratulate the courageous efforts of the many churches that have openly confronted their own traditions of contempt towards Jews and Judaism. They have shown all of us the urgency of this endeavor and the impossibility of letting matters drift along while hoping for a pleasant outcome.

Thus, we return to our theme which poses an important challenge to Jews. What is the relation of the One Way of ours to the Many Ways of the others among whom we live? The medieval view is therefore seen to present many difficulties. It judges others according to oneself, an act that goes against the wise counsel given in the Ethics of the Fathers, "Do not judge your fellow until you are in his situation." It accords respect to individuals as human beings but not to them when they form a group to celebrate their most cherished beliefs. In addition, while seeing elements of truth in those faiths that borrowed from our own, it ignores completely the issue of the many other faiths in the human community.

There are many questions entangled in this issue which require sorting out. By posing the question of whether or not a religion is true or possesses truth we are assuming that we know what we mean when we use the word truth in regard to religion, even our own. Is it in the very nature of religion to deal with certainty and truth in the same way that other human endeavors operate? What then do we mean by faith, trust and belief?

Importance of Humility

Which brings me to the question of humility. Humility is a characteristic that includes both modesty as well as self-esteem but which moves to the modesty side of a continuum that ranges between these attributes. Humble persons avoid both extremes, displaying neither arrogance nor excessive self-effacement unworthy of a creature in the Divine image, who can be addressed, challenged and commanded by the loving Creator.

The importance of humility lies not only in the interpersonal sphere; it is a theological quality as well.

Theological humility reaches its clearest expression during Moses' second stay on Mt. Sinai as told in Exodus 32-34. Moses attempts to seize the gracious moment to gain as much understanding of God as possible. He boldly asks for a full disclosure of God's Glory or Presence. He is told that this is impossible: no human can realize this goal. While humans can recognize God's Graciousness, "you cannot see My face, for humans cannot see Me and live." Finally, he is told, "you will see My back, but My face will not be seen."

Section I of Maimonides' Code is entitled The Fundamentals of the Torah. He discusses Moses' experience therein. He reminds us that all descriptions of God are metaphors or analogies, not meant to be understood literally. "The Truth of God's Presence cannot be understood, nor perceived nor examined. What then did Moses request of the Holy One? . . . He asked to know the reality of God's existence so that his knowledge would be similar to the knowledge of a person whose face one had seen and is now known as a unique being."

In the later passages (Numbers 11-12) in which Moses is referred to as "a very humble man, more than any other man on earth," it is clear that Moses' perception of humility includes his own honor and responsibility. He does not flinch from sharing the divine spirit with others in order that the people would be properly led. "Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, that the Lord put His spirit upon them!" This is his response to Joshua's suggestion that he imprison two men who are prophesying in the camp, apparently without Moses' authority.

The Limits of Religious Knowledge

We now must look at the implications of these texts. There does seem to be a message about the limits of religious knowledge. Considering the possibility that a person may err in describing his encounter with God and the meaning derived from it, there is also the truth that even if one is right his experience and words are at best incomplete, finite and partial. The mysterious God can never be fully comprehended — "you cannot see My face." The infinite God can be viewed from an infinite number of perspectives, each of which may be as ultimately correct as the others.

If this position sounds relativistic to you that is because it is. Relativism is not particularly appealing to the faithful of a particular community for it is usually presented in such a manner as to render all religions as the same. However, there is a world of difference between this position and the claim that many religions may be equally valid or true. The former position implies that there are no significant differences among religions; the latter maintains the reverse. These differences may have nothing to do with theological truths but much to do with the foundational events and experiences upon which the tradition is built and the ongoing historical community which celebrates that particular faith. Human faith communities are built upon and around those unique moments in which heaven and earth met. To each community its event and its articulation into living religiosity through the ages is sacred. There is much, therefore, that differentiates religions one from the other: event and interpretation, historical conditions and experiences, sacred literature, language and culture. Each one of these perspectives can be a real apprehension of the divine, not reducible to any other. It is one of the infinite ways in which the

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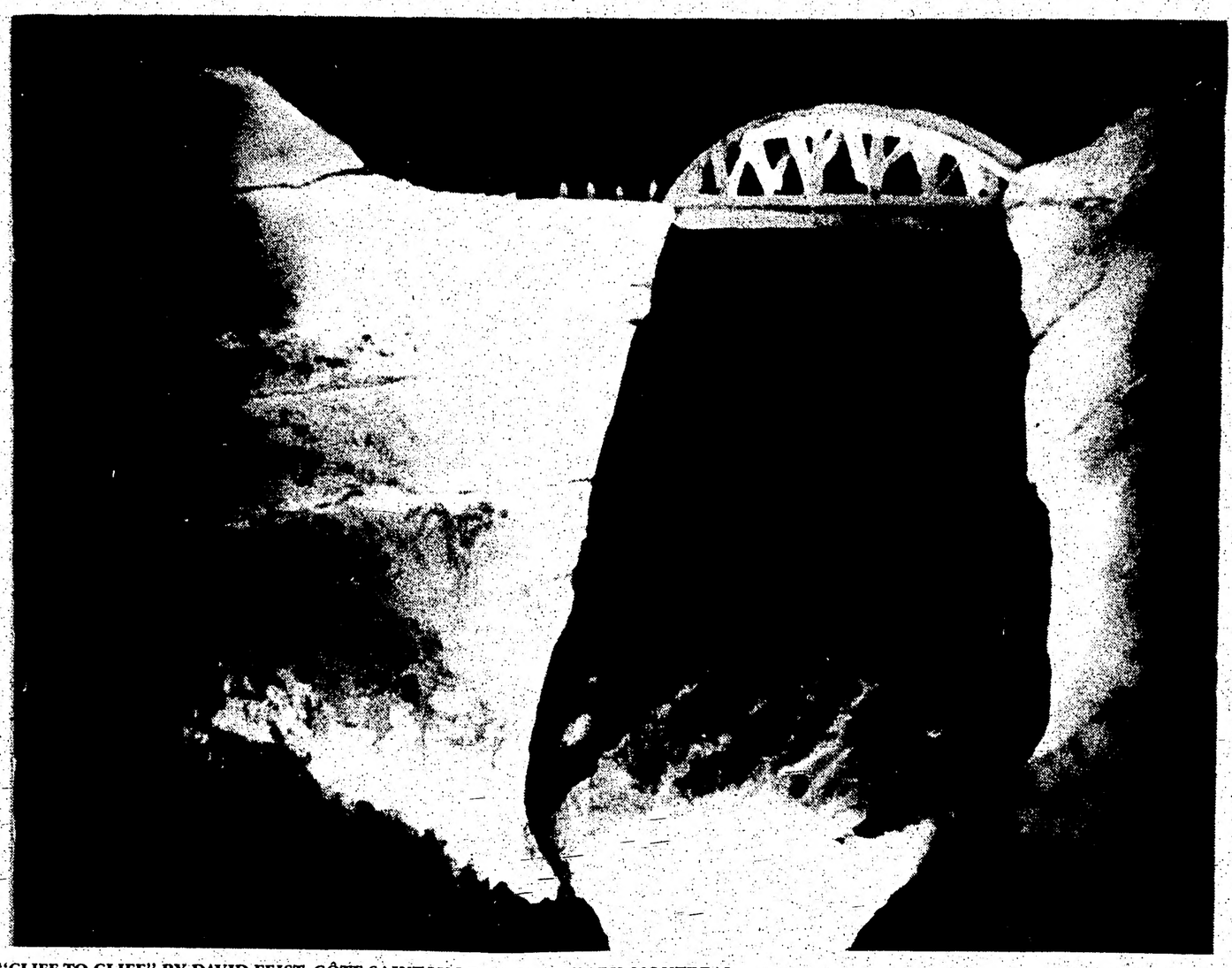

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mysterious and infinite God can be apprehended.

The position I am advocating treats seriously the particularities of each tradition, and avoids the danger of nihilism which would deny the value of all beliefs and morals since no ultimate and absolute criteria can be developed. This position is also related to many currents in modern philosophy which have come to the conclusion that all knowledge is relative: relative to the consensus of individuals who accept this knowledge and live by it.

Scientific knowledge is included in this view. It too is based upon the consensus of a community of scientists. What is considered to be science continually changes as new data are discovered and new theories are propounded. Meanwhile we build bridges and fly airplanes as if the principles upon which they were based were absolute.

Consensus is a Concrete Foundation for a Particular Faith

Thus, the consensus concerning religious knowledge upon which a particular faith community rests is a serious and a concrete foundation. Truth then becomes the coherent meaning a community gives to the events and traditions to which it is heir. It has the authoritative support of its leaders and is acknowledged by the faithful. Through this truth they hope to get a glimpse of the divine and bring into their personal and communal lives the responsibilities resulting from that vision.

Theological humility, however, requires them to remember that this is their truth. They are entitled to proclaim it from the rooftops and celebrate it with joyous devotion. But it remains theirs alone; of necessity a partial glimpse of the infinite.

Are there no criteria that emerge from this analysis by which one faith can judge another? Are there no expectations one community may look for in the other? In the reluctant and hesitant spirit of theological modesty I offer two possible implications that might tempt as well as challenge us.

Two Criteria for Religious Truth

One criterion for the truth of a religious system might be theological humility itself, a self-critical recognition of the finite nature of any human understanding of the divine. Thus, any one way is just that. To claim any more would be unfaithful to the foundational religious experience.

Can believers achieve this? Must they assert the superiority of their perspective over others? Must they claim universal validity for their beliefs and seek to impose them upon others? Is it not enough to rejoice, celebrate and witness within their own system? Must they believe that in order for their system to be true it must be true for all and not only for themselves?

A second measure stems from the fact that Maimonides does not say what was specifically revealed to Moses that would enable him to recognize God from the back, so to speak. However, the text does speak of God making "all my Goodness pass before you as I proclaim the name of the Lord before you. I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and show compassion to whom I show compassion." After the gracious Presence passes by you will recognize it as such. In other words, wherever we find graciousness and compassion we are encountering the Presence, even if it be outside our own community.

Theological humility generates other forms of humility as well. The truly humble avoid arrogance and leave room for other perspectives; they learn from others because they know they do not possess the whole truth; and they leave room for God's mysterious majesty to express itself in the world in ever new and unexpected ways. The truly humble have enough self-esteem to take human life seriously and try to accomplish whatever possible by helping heaven and earth to meet more often in moments of grace manifest in our lives; they believe that despite the fact that they cannot complete the task they are not free to desist from it; and they believe that God has confidence in their worthiness for the tasks. They are nice people among whom to live. May our lot be with them.

(This presentation reflects the influence upon my thinking of my teachers Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik and Rabbi Emanuel Rackman, as well as to my dear friend and teacher, Dr. Jerome Eckstein.) ■

Toward A Jewish America

A Review Essay by Bernard Zelechow

SINCE the emancipation of Jews at the beginning of the nineteenth century, Jews and Gentiles, from differing perspectives have pondered the so-called "Jewish question." Jewish responses to the allures of secular, liberal culture ranged from Zionism, Reform, assimilation, religious indifference to neo-Orthodoxy. The question now is for how long and in what way will Jews and Judaism endure and survive? Can Zionism and the State of Israel alone be a substitute for a vibrant living religious Judaism?

The question of Jewish survival, or to put it more exuberantly and positively, of Jewish expansion and growth is at the heart of Eugene Kaellis' book: *Toward a Jewish America*. From the title it is apparent that Kaellis sees the salvation of a living Judaism in the America diaspora. He discounts the remaining Russian Jews, Israelis with their vigorous culture, and the more than one million Jews who still live in Western Europe as factors in Jewish endurance and the vitality of Judaism. State policy divorces Russian Jews from a living Jewish tradition, Israelis are overwhelmingly secular and uninterested in religion, and European Jews simply do not enter his conciousness. In addition Mr. Kaellis rejects traditional Orthodoxy as a viable alternative to the disappearance of world Jewry.

Religious Judaism The Central Component

Laudably Mr. Kaellis structures the problem of Jewish survival in a living religious Judaism as the central component. Jewish ethnicity without religiosity will lose its reason for being. That is the justification for his exclusion of Israeli and Soviet Jewry as viable bases for a flourishing Jewish religious life. Traditional Orthodoxy lacks the appeal to compete with secularism for the minds and souls of the majority of Jews. Jews and gentiles in America provide the best hope for his expectation for a revitalized Judaism. Despite his choice of American Jewry as standard bearer of hope for the future Mr. Kaellis is not blind to the real weaknesses of American Jewish life. The Jewish dispersion across America, intermarriage, the lure of secular culture, all contribute to a disintegration of a coherent Jewish world view.

While Mr. Kaellis' recognizes ignorance of Judaism as a central problem, he glosses over Judaism ignorance and stresses rather a mission to convert Gentiles. His diagnosis suggests that concerned and committed Jews must re-educate American Jews and in the process create a new American *minhag* that incorporates the ethos of American individualism and democracy within traditional Jewish values.

His reason for leaping over the issue of Jewish education to a mission to gentiles is inventive to say the least. Without overt anti-Semitism and the proclivity of Jews to marry non-Jews Judaism, he asserts, will disappear in less than a century. In the same breath he argues, in a properly polemical fashion, that Christianity cannot rid itself of theological anti-Semitism. Christology has and always will justify itself in anti-Jewish arguments. He draws on the writings of Christians sympathetic to Jews to support his point. Therefore his larger goal includes neutralizing Christian influence as part of the solution to the low Jewish birth rate and the high incidences of intermarriage. His answer is a Jewish commitment to a vigorous mission to gentile America with the aim of large scale conversion of American Christians and secularists to Judaism.

Mr. Kaellis' position rests on three suppositions (1) that active missionary zeal is not foreign to Judaism (2) Judaism is superior to Christianity and (3) Judaism and the American ethos share enough in common so that a union is plausible, and possible.

What is problematic about Mr. Kaellis' approach is that his defense of Judaism rested on precisely the same grounds as the anti-Jewish polemics of Christianity he so vigorously criticizes. We hear far more about what is wrong with Christianity than we do about what is right about Judaism. Part of the problem is inherent in the real historical and theological relationship between the two religions. Judaism and Christianity are wedded in an inevitable negative symbiosis which is hard to transcend. Nonetheless, a re-education of Jews and a mission to Gentiles calls for a statement of the Jewish world view or theology.

However, to suggest that Christian theology necessarily falls into fatalism is unfounded. Christianity shares with Judaism the ethical imperative which Kaellis appropriately locates in the biblical conception of human history as sacred history recording the significance of God's encounter with man in time.

Mr. Kaellis is on firmer ground in his brief description of Judaism. He defines Judaism as rooted existentially in a reciprocal relationship between man and God. Judaism prescribes doing in the world, sanctifying action, rather than flights into mysticism as the appropriate remedies for the inadequacies of culture and society. Judaism is the ultimate religion of hope for this world.

Mr. Kaellis' description is an appropriate and accurate definition of the essential core of Judaism. He is correct in asserting that Judaism has much to offer Western culture and American civilization in particular. American life, with its grounding in the Puritan experience, shares much of the existential concerns of Judaism. American self-definitions incorporate the Jewish imperative to doing in the world and the philosophy of hope for the redemption of the world. Nonetheless there are overwhelming obstacles which stand in the way of successful Jewish missionary activity. From the perspective of potential converts his description does not promise anything unique. Many branches of mainstream American Protestantism share the existential virtues he identifies with Judaism.

Leaving aside Jewish resistance and Christian indifference to Kaellis' vision of a Jewish America the question remains why would the vast majority of Americans choose Judaism? In the past American blacks converted in small members to Judaism and in greater numbers to Islam because of their disaffection with Christianity. However, no such incentive exists for most Americans, since the mainstream of American life is overwhelmingly secular Jews share with their nominal Christian neighbors the "civic religion" of American Life.

Nonetheless we should not dismiss Mr. Kaellis' proposals for large scale conversion of Christians either because of the "failure" of the one major attempts by Jews at proselytizing gentiles, the Mediterranean experience, or because of his sketchy delineation of the means and ends of his proposals. Curiously, given his agenda, he does not do well in explicating the meaning and value of Judaism for men and women living in the modern world. On the other hand Mr. Kaellis does very well in highlighting the potential danger posed by modernity to Jewish religious survival. He makes us aware of how tenuous is Jewish self-understanding in America.

A Challenge to Rethink Jewish Action

Mr. Kaellis sees his work as a first step along a long hard road. His work is successful in that it challenges us to rethink anew what kinds of Jewish action are necessary in contemporary America. We might recommend a more modest version of Mr. Kaellis' proposals for large scale missionary work. First we need to reinvigorate an outreach programme to American Jews, and to non-Jewish spouses married to Jews before reaching out to gentiles at large. It is necessary to lift the veil of ignorance about Judaism shared by so many American Jews and gentiles. This means reaching out to Jews who do not fit into the model of the normative Jewish family, to singles whatever their sexual preferences, and to women. Because so many Jews in America remain religiously unaffiliated, the synagogue is unfortunately not the vehicle for this enlightenment. Nor is the university. We do not need more courses on Judaism which treats a religious reality as an academic subject.

We must attract the disaffected and alienated among our own. We must show them that living an authentic Judaism is not incompatible with the best of contemporary American secular life. Although it is not fashionable at this moment in Jewish history we need to develop a Torah of culture for American Jewry. We need to create a network of meeting places where Jews and non-Jews can come together to explore problems of living in the modern world in light of Jewish religious values and specifically Jewish concerns for the wellbeing of the whole community. ■

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"Idiot Feri and Clubfoot Pista"

A short story by Robert Sherwood

ACTUALLY, we kids called Clubfoot Pista "Waterhead Pista" because he had something they call "hydroencephalia" in scientific language. I don't know the exact medical name for someone having a large head. It has something to do with water. But in spite of his oversized head, Pista was a smart guy. He was a poet. Yes. He wrote poetry in beautiful flowery Hungarian. He must have been good at it because he was published in two anthologies.

As far as Idiot Feri, well, "Idiot Feri" was a "Mongolian". You must know what a "Mongolian" is. If you've seen one Mongolian, you've seen them all. They all look exactly the same to me as though they were all brothers and sisters. The same face, the same straight neck, and oddly enough, they even talk the same way. In short, staccato sentences. "Hi Feri, — How are you?" . . . "I'm O.K. I'm O.K. How are you?" . . . "Idiot Feri" had this same conversation with almost every person in the building: "I'm O.K. I'm O.K. How are you?" . . . Everybody in the building was Idiot Feri's friend. He was a simple soul. You could always figure out what he would say to you, long even before he'd open his mouth.

Both Feri and Pista were newcomers to the Podmanitzky Street apartment house and we kids knew from the instant we clapped eyes on them that they were part of our world. Because, you see, kids live in a different world than grownups do and there is a clearly defined line separating those two existences. But we kids knew that they were both on this side of the line. On our side.

Feri must have been around thirty five but you know how it is with Mongolians. You never know how old they are. Pista must have been around twenty-six. I don't know what happened to Feri's parents, I think they must have died. He lived with his aunt and uncle who took him in, fed him, clothed him and gave him a home. In those days there was no "welfare" or "social insurance" or anything like that. "Making a living" was a very tough proposition in those days. Feri could never understand that because he was just like one of us, a kid. . . . He had to do the dishes. Everybody had to do something around the house in those days. He hated doing the dishes. He complained about this to everyone. Feri didn't mind going with his aunt to the market and helping her carry home the groceries, he didn't mind helping her clean the apartment, — but he hated dishes with a passion.

Like most apartment buildings in Budapest, the Podmanitzky Street apartment building was also built around a large, square courtyard. An open air balcony connected all the apartments on every floor, and all the main doors and kitchen doors and kitchen windows opened onto the courtyard, onto that open balcony. It wasn't very good for privacy but it was great for us kids. I could yell to the other end of the corridor: "Hey Marica, if you don't hurry up, you'll be late for school!" . . . Or we could run up to the third floor, which is actually the fourth floor in Hungary, because the ground floor does not count, — and we could blow soap bubbles and watch the bubbles drift into the apartments on the second or the first floor, depending on the breeze. Or, we could get two paper cups, make little holes at the bottom and run a string though them. Otto or Feri would stand in the courtyard with one cup and one of the kids would stand on the third floor balcony with the other cup. If you whispered into that paper cup, it became a telephone. Down in the courtyard you could hear every single word. And so could the guy up on the third floor. We could pass secret messages back and forth.

As I said, the place was not very good for privacy, but is was great for kids. In fact, there weren't many kids in that building. Originally, no more than five. . . . On Sunday afternoons the superintendent would come out of his apartment, march to the middle of the courtyard and yell: "you kids, shut up"! . . . For about ten minutes there was silence — complete silence. Then the racket would start up again.

That summer my aunt Rosie moved in with us. She was one of the newcomers. She had a big mouth and was a well known practical joker. If anyone ever claimed that there was anything refined or classy about my aunt Rosie, I'd say that he was a liar. My Aunt Rosie was as common as common could be. The French would have called her "ordinaire".

In her storm-tossed and more-bitter-than-sweet life, Aunt Rosie had quite a few lovers. She made no bones about that. As a matter of fact, she told many anecdotes about her legendary suitors. For example, she called one of them: "Mister up to his ears ass". And the name fitted. You see, the guy was so short that his ass almost did reach up to his ears. . . . Well, Aunt Rosie had a "poetic imagination", and most people fell victim to it. For example, when Clubfoot Pista and his mother moved into our apartment buildings, they moved in with three old ladies. Three sisters. Two of them were widows, one never married. You know what my aunt Rosie called them? The "three dumplings". Imagine, calling three nice old ladies "dumplings". But the worst part of it was that the more you looked at the three old ladies, the more you realized that they indeed looked like three dumplings. They looked so much alike that you could hardly tell one dumpling apart from the other dumplings.

Aunt Rosie had a box full of love letters and beautiful picture postcards from guys like "Bignose". "Bignose" was another beau of hers who had an enormous nose. . . . Anyway, one day she stopped the mailman and said to him: "Take this picture postcard and deliver it to Idiot Feri. Tell him it's personal."

So the mailman, who was a friendly soul, delivered the ten year old postcard to Feri. In Hungary, the mailman delivers the mail to every apartment. A few minutes later my aunt Rosie would casually walk down the third floor corridor and stop Feri. "Hey Feri, I heard the mailman delivered a letter, addressed to you personally". . . . And Feri would say: "Yes, yes. I got a letter! Would you, would you, would you read it for me?!" . . . Of course, by the time, all the kids were in on the joke, and just happened to be hanging around. Feri could not read or write. He didn't know about the division of the sexes either. Feri never knew the difference between a man and a woman.

So my aunt Rosie would take the postcard and right there in the open air corridor with Feri in the middle and all the kids around him, she would read. When I say "read", I'm not telling the truth. Because she was lying through her teeth as fluently as if she was reading it from a book. Never in my life have I hear such outrageous lies. And the kids were roaring with laughter. She read the most fantastic story off that postcard. And Feri, . . . boy, you should have seen Feri. He drank in every word, every syllable with sheer delight on his face. All through his life, no one ever paid much attention to him. He was "Idiot Feri" and that was it. But now, all of a sudden, he was the centre of attention. There was someone in the country who was in love with him. That's why she wrote that beautiful postcard. One of these days, she'd come to Budapest to visit him.

"STEPMOTHER WITH PEARLS" BY SHIRLEY KATZ, CÔTE SAINT-LUC PUBLIC LIBRARY, MONTREAL

Next day, the same thing would repeat itself. My Aunt Rosie digs up another fifteen-year-old picture postcard which the mailman delivers to Idiot Feri. By now, everybody in the house, from the janitor to "Madam Midnight Owl" on the third floor knew that Idiot Feri had a lover in the country who'd come to visit him pretty soon . . . How did they know? Feri told them about it.

As the days passed by and postcard after postcard arrived, Idiot Feri became a new man. Every morning he was out on the corridor, watching for the mailman. Every day, the letter came like clockwork. He'd take it straight to my aunt Rosie. He wouldn't trust anyone else with it. His aunt or the janitor or one of the kids would never be able to get to the true beautiful meaning buried in that postcard. Only my aunt Rosie could.

It was summer. Beautiful summer. And the air raid sirens blew with ever increasing frequency. The huge "Strato-fortress" bombers usually arrived by noon. Everybody ran down the staircase, into the air raid shelter. I remember Clubfoot Pista carrying a small suitcase, walking down the stairs. When Pista walked, he had an indescribable sad air about him. He walked while bending forward a little bit. He walked slowly and very carefully down the stairs.

Had Podmanitzky Street 63 been in Boston or Philadelphia or in Calgary, the story would have taken a different turn. But Podmanitzky Street 63 was in Budapest. Hungary. And Hungary had been occupied by the Nazis on Sunday — March nineteenth. The occupation started at three o'clock in the morning. By noon the German forces reached the Tisza and by sunset the country was done for. During the entire process of occupation only one shot was fired. That's history. You ask how can an entire country be occupied in less than twenty-four hours, with only one shot fired? This is still debated by historians. Some of them claim that at that time, Hungary was more Nazi than the Nazis themselves. The country was infiltrated by an all powerful "fifth column" which reached everywhere, even to the highest echelons of government. And it was well known that Admiral Horthy and his military clique which took over Hungary just after World War One, were great admirers of Hitler and Mussolini. When Hitler came to power in Germany, Admiral Horthy was among the first to embrace his beloved leader of the "New Order".

Idiot Feri was happy because he didn't know anything about the world. We kids, we were happy because we knew just a little bit more about the world. And my mother and my grandmother and aunt Rosie and my aunt Olga were reasonably happy because they knew just a little bit more than Feri and us kids knew.

What no one knew in that apartment house one Podmanitzky Street was that the first train left Hungary on May 15th.

The day after the country was occupied, a long column of cars drove into Buda. Buda is the West side of Budapest. It is all hills and forests and tourist hotels and it is a beautiful place. I knew Buda because my Grandfather, while he was alive, used to spend his vacation in Buda in the "Fux Pension". It was a modest place, not far from the "Majestic Hotel".

That long column of military cars stopped in front of the Majestic Hotel and from that moment on, it was their headquarters. That military unit had a name. It was called "Sondereinsatzkommando Eichman" — "Special Operations Group Eichman".

Budapest. The last intact Jewish community in all of Europe. Over 200.00 people. . . . What about Budapest? Eichman decided to cap his career with his last masterpiece of organization. All 200.000 people would be rounded up in one day, taken to an island on

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the Danube and sent North from there in batches of 10.000.

The birds, the trees, the Sun, the clouds drifting by and even the people in the neighbourhood knew nothing of this plan. It was a beautiful warm summer and everything seemed to be normal. In the apartment house next to us a lady ran a kind of makeshift kindergarten and every day she took the little kids to the small park beside "Ferdinand Bridge". I remember watching them from the window — the kids dancing in a circle and singing their silly nursery rhymes.

We kids collected shrapnel. When a 500 pound bomb explodes, the steel casing shatters into hundreds of small fragments. We'd go out into the street and collect those pieces of fragmented iron. Most of them were still hot. I had a whole collection of shrapnel. The kids in the neighbourhoud would exchange pieces, just like philatelists exchanging valuable stamps. The bigger the piece, the more valuable it was. The kids also collected tinsel. The bombers released tons of it during the raids — to confuse the radio waves. I had a large collection of shrapnel and tinsel and I guarded it jealously.

By now Feri had decided that the person who wrote all those love letters to him must have been a policeman. No matter how hard we tried to explain to Feri that a policeman cannot be in love with him, he insisted. . . . Poor Feri, he never knew what love meant, and he didn't know the difference between a man and a woman either. And we kids couldn't help him. We were terribly naive in those days. . . . My aunt Rosie had finally run out of old love letters and now she was borrowing feverishly from anyone in the building who happened to have any.

Feri's appetite for "love letters" was insatiable. By now, he had filled an entire suitcase with them and every time the sirens sounded he carried that suitcase down to the air raid shelter. He'd never leave it in the apartment. If a bomb hit the building, it might get damaged, or God forbid, burned.

In the evenings, some of the kids and Aunt Rosie and Clubfoot Pista and a neighbour or two would gather in our kitchen. The door would be wide open, leading to the open-air corridor. Clubfoot Pista would recite poetry.

Pista was really a good guy. When he was reciting poetry you would completely forget that he had such a big head. . . . As that summer passed, we all became like one big family — Clubfoot Pista and the kids and Idiot Feri, and in a way my crazy aunt Rosie as well.

Summer turned into fall. October came. Every night we'd gather at my aunt Olga's. She owned a big radio with a short wave band. . . . "This is London. London calling. The British Broadcasting Corporation's foreign news service in Hungarian, on the 1514, 1517, and 1519 short wave bands." . . . Most people in that Podmanitzky Street house lived for that broadcast. That broadcast told the truth. That Rumania had quit the Nazi ranks and sued for a separate peace, that the Allies were advancing in the West and that the Russian army was sixty miles south of Budapest.

By this time Admiral Horthy, who was also listening to the BBC every night, realized what every kid in that Podmanitzky Street building had known for months: The Nazis had lost the war.

"As you can see, I am back" declared Adolf Eichman. And this time he was really in the saddle. The last vestige of an independent Hungarian government had disappeared with Horthy. Adolf Eichman finally had a free hand.

Time was short for the Nazis. Himmler was already trying to establish secret contacts with the Allies. In order to prove his credibility, he ordered a temporary halt of his giant machinery in the East. But Budapest still held about 200,000 people. Mostly old people, children, women and invalids. The Allied bombers had destroyed Hungary's main railway centre and left its railway system in a shambles. There were no trucks either. Then a plan emerged. Whose it was is still debated. Maybe it was Eichman's or maybe the Hungarian Nazis'. The plan was to march 50,000, then another 50,000, and then another 50,000 on foot along the Budapest-Vienna highway to Germany.

On November 2nd the German and Hungarian armies lost a crucial battle, and the advancing Russian army was stopped only eight miles from the city. The "Arrow Cross" expressed its frustration by indiscriminately shooting hundreds of Jewish labourers and throwing their bodies into the Danube.

November the 9th. On that morning, I looked out

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How the Israeli Government Is Killing the Soviet-Jewish Emigration Movement

by Robert J. Brym

ON June 19th the Israeli Cabinet voted by a 16-2 margin to issue Israeli visas only to those Soviet Jews committed to immigrate to Israel. Since the overwhelming majority of Soviet-Jewish emigrants do not want to live in Israel, preferring instead the USA or Canada, this is likely to cause a decline in the overall rate of Jewish emigration from the USSR.

After the Cabinet decision, Israel Radio quoted Foreign Minister Shimon Peres of the Labour Party as justifying the Cabinet decision by saying there is "nothing to lose" given the small number of Soviet Jews electing to go to Israel. While the right-wing Likud has always favoured such a hard-line approach towards Soviet-Jewish emigrants, Peres' support of this policy represents the culmination of a shift in Labour Party attitude. As such, the new Israeli policy is important not only for its impact on Soviet-Jewish emigration, but also because it signifies a drift in Israeli politics towards more intense nationalism and a more parochial definition of the Jewish interest.

The Likud Legacy

The accession to power of the Likud government in 1977 signalled the entrenchment and increasing legitimation in Israel of the occupation of the West Bank and Gaza. It therefore raised with particular trenchancy the "demographic" problem of managing a Palestinian population that promises to outnumber the Jews in Israel in the first third of the next century. While Jewish immigration has always been a key aim of the Zionist movement, the need for more Jewish Israelis has become greater than at any time since the 1950s.

As a result, the Likud administration has consistently promoted policies designed to encourage Jews leaving the Soviet Union to immigrate to Israel rather than the US or Canada. These efforts notwithstanding, the proportion of "dropouts" increased markedly. In 1971, the first year of the emigration movement, less than half of one percent of emigrating Soviet Jews came to North America. So far in 1988 the figure stands at 90 percent.

Likud representatives organized a three-pronged attack on the dropout problem. First, they sought to have emigrants fly directly from Moscow to Tel Aviv, thus avoiding the Vienna transit point where many Soviet Jews have chosen to opt for the West. The Soviets turned down the proposal to arrange direct flights however, in part because of icy diplomatic relations between the USSR and Israel. Second, the Likud tried to dissuade Jewish immigrant aid societies from materially assisting Soviet-Jewish emigrants bent on going to North America. But the Jewish immigrant aid societies rejected such suggestions on the grounds that they are principally interested in ensuring the freedom and well-being of Jews, regardless of where they choose to live. Third, the Likud attempted to convince the US Congress to deny Soviet Jews refugee status and the material assistance accompanying that designation. Congress refused, if only because accepting the Likud suggestion would negate the dominant American interpretation of the USSR as the prison house of nations and would therefore help erode the ideological underpinnings of US policy toward the USSR.

Dropouts Threatening Soviet-Jewish Emigration?

Likud representatives were careful to point out that their efforts to curtail Soviet-Jewish immigration to North America were not undertaken just out of narrow Israeli interest. They argued that the Soviet-Jewish emigration movement as a whole is threatened by the mounting wave of dropouts. In the Likud view, the dropout phenomenon worries Soviet authorities because it excites a desire for emigration among Soviet citizens in general, who draw the conclusion from the flow of Jews to the West that emigration is possible for reasons other than the official Soviet line about "family reunification".

The trouble is that the facts fly in the face of this Likud-sponsored interpretation. The year-over-year figures show that the overall emigration rate has gone *up* with increases in the dropout rate. Moreover, areas of the USSR that have generated Jewish emigrants with high dropout rates have been *less* likely to witness a decline in Jewish emigration rates. The bubble seemed finally to have burst when Yitzkhak Shamir, the Likud Prime Minister of Israel, met with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze at the UN shortly before the June 19th Israeli Cabinet decision. Shamir quoted Shervardnadze as saying that he "does not care where [the Jews] go. He said it was not [the Soviets'] interest or concern . . . They can go wherever they want." So much for the traditional Likud argument that failure to stop the dropout phenomenon would cause the Soviets to kill the emigration movement as a whole.

Labour's Drift To The Right

Notwithstanding Shamir's admission, Likud supporters still want to force the hand of Soviet Jews — quite simply because they value the acquisition of a few new Jewish citizens more highly than the right of Soviet Jews to emigrate. But why should the Labour party now endorse the Likud policy? Largely, I think, because Israeli politics have pushed Labour to the right.

The nine month old Palestinian uprising in the West Bank and Gaza has helped crystallize a siege mentality on the part of Israeli Jews and a hardening of attitudes towards the Palestinians. This is reflected in public opinion polls, and it is as true for Labour party supporters as for other segments of the population. Defence Minister Yitzkhak Rabin of the Labour party is only the most conspicuous proponent of a get-tough policy towards the rioters.

Seen in this light, Labour's support for the government's new policy towards Soviet Jews appears to be a minor act of desperation — and this in two senses. First, many Labour supporters are experiencing an intensified need for new Jewish citizens who can serve as a counterweight to the growing Palestinian menace. Apparently, that need overrides concern with the freedom of Soviet Jews to live in the country of their choice. Second, with an election looming in the fall, and Likud's popularity rising in the public opinion polls, the Labour party may be searching for ways of currying favour with the increasingly nationalistic Israeli public. The Soviet Jewry issue provides a convenient means of demonstrating Labour's "Israel-first" attitude.

Soviet Jews Are The Big Losers

The big losers in this drama are, of course, the Soviet Jews whose freedom of choice will be restricted as a result of the new Israeli policy. The big winner is the Soviet government. For the Soviets, the change in Israeli policy is a propaganda coup. Now, every time an Israeli leader complains about violations of Jews' human rights in the USSR, Soviet leaders can point out that Israel is violating these same Jews' human rights by denying them the right to live in the country of their choice. The Soviets can, moreover, drive the point home by noting that they have, for the first time, begun issuing exit visas to Jews who have been invited to immigrate by American relatives. Ironically, this new move may well help ensure that the proportion of Soviet-Jewish emigrants going to the US remains about the same and it may prevent the overall rate of Soviet-Jewish emigration from declining. ■

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War and Peace in Nablus

by Dr. Michael Shalev

IT is an unaccountably sunny and tranquil late winter's day as we speed along the narrow and winding road from Ramallah to Nablus in an Arab taxi. Inside the taxi are a group of Arab and Jewish Israelis from the Hebrew University enveloped in a tense silence. Our "study tour" of the Palestinian uprising has only just begun, and we know that we may well end up as targets for either a stoning or a beating, depending on whose line of fire we stray into. As it turned out, Saturday March 12th was in all probability the quietest day the occupied territories have known since the violence began in December. Where were the swaggering, bearded settlers poised to unleash leaden hatred on their neighbors? Where were the soldiers with their brand-new fiberglass sticks, their tear gas and bullet-laden submachineguns, and their stone-throwing mechanical monsters? All that was visible were olive groves in the stony terraces lining the road, a sight which made me flash on a scene from the previous night's TV showing hundreds of olive trees being ploughed up by huge bulldozers in the name of the defense of the State of Israel.

As we enter Nablus I realize that the one thing I never expected was that it would be beautiful. The city sprawls on the sides and in the valley of a great *wadi*, many of its houses improbably gripping the sides of an almost vertical hillside. I am reminded of Kabul nearly twenty years ago, and have the same thoughts — how on earth do they get to their homes, where does their water come from? Two young men driving somewhat decrepit vehicles have been waiting for us in the city center. Somehow or other, they bring us up the hillside, via the wrong way up a one-way street, to Nablus's Ey-Tichad Hospital, the destination of almost all the hospitalized casualties of the uprising from the northern West Bank. We are about to interview and photograph young Palestinian men whose bodies have been pierced by Israeli bullets. But I can't help eyeing the spectacular view from a narrow window on the staircase, and wondering if tact will permit me to take a picture later on. By the time I descend the staircase, tight-lipped in my determination not to be overwhelmed by the horror, tourism has lost its attraction.

To keep myself busy and avoid just gaping at the wounded, I concentrate on asking lots of questions and taking copious notes. We spoke individually to seven of the patients in the hospital (29 that day) whose wounds originated in the confrontation with Israel. Each one of them recounted — with a sincerity which it seems that only a professional actor could have duplicated — how he had come to be the innocent victim of an Israeli bullet. The victim nearly always appeared as a bystander: out in the street on the wrong side of a curfew; on his way home or to the home of a relative and landing unexpectedly on trigger-happy soldiers; in a mosque which finds itself under tear gas siege in the middle of Friday prayers; running to the defense of ordinary men or women whose home is being shot up or who are being struck or gassed in the course of a peaceful demonstration. Can it be possible that the violence is being meted out so very one-sidedly? Where are the beaten-up "*shebab*" (gang) whose curses, stones, and ability to disappear into thin air seem to drive young Israeli soldiers to distraction? Except for one 17-year-old, the casualties in Ey-Tichad are not kids. But of course. This hospital has been stormed repeatedly by the Israeli military in pursuit of "trouble makers". Any stone-thrower who can survive his injuries without intensive care is likely to keep well clear of it.

Blood and Gore Differ From Casualty Reports

Wounds are wounds, but blood and gore seen with one's own eyes look very different from laconic casualty reports read by carefully modulated broadcast voices. The rapid gasps of breath and wide-open fearful eyes of a young man who had much of his chest and abdomen shot away three days earlier vividly conjures up the terrifying permeability of the border between life and death. A man in a wheelchair who looks older than he really is (early thirties?) pulls away a blanket to reveal an ugly wound in what remains of his left leg. Will the surgeons need to cut off the other half too?

No doubt that even the gentlemanly Dr. Masri, the hospital spokesman proudly attired in the school tie of his London alma mater, might be prone to exaggerate the cruelty and injustice which the Palestinians impute to the occupying army. But I begin to doubt how important it really is to be sure that these apparent victims are not really provocateurs in lamb's clothing, ruthless enemies who dare to insult or draw blood from an armed soldier. As Dr. Masri takes us on a verbal tour of the 547 casualties of the uprising listed in ornate longhand on the sheets and sheets of admissions recorded since December 8th, what seems to matter most is the sheer spilling of blood and taking of lives and limbs.

We have come to Nablus not just to see the horror, but also to learn what the Palestinians want from the "*intifadah*" (uprising) and how they succeed in managing their insurrection with such remarkable order and solidarity. The answers to both of these questions must be sought from the neighborhood committees which have mushroomed during the uprising, and which are at once political coalitions between rival factions, and quasi-bureaucracies responsible for finding pragmatic solutions to the mundane problems of survival in the midst of rebellion. By now it is mid-afternoon, the stores are back on strike, most people are secluded in their homes, and the traffic jams of the morning have been eclipsed by near-empty streets as we cross to the opposite hillside to meet the members of a "Public Committee for Agriculture" in Nablus' Old City. On the way we pass the shell of a lavish edifice evidently halted in mid-construction, standing out sharply from its dilapidated surroundings. The completed lower half of the house is covered with slogans. Our interpreter (a handsome Israeli Arab who literally became so dizzy in the hospital that he couldn't carry on with the interviews, but is also so Israeli that he reminds us with laughter of Shlomo Nitzan's latest barbs and insists on listening to the Hebrew football commentary all the way back to Jerusalem) tells me that the most visible slogan on this aborted luxury dwelling reads "death to collaborators".

After making our way through dingy and musty alleys, courtyards and stairs, we finally reach our incongruous destination — a domed bedroom dominated by a massive double bed and wardrobe, which apparently serves as the committee's headquarters. We Israelis are outnumbered by our hosts, most of them in their twenties, apparently the fathers of young families. Each one carefully follows our every word and reaction, as they explain themselves and respond to our questions with intense concentration and evident sincerity. At first the talk deals in dry logistic matters. It is surreal, almost comic, to be lectured about one of the committee's most important current activities, the production and distribution to thousands of households of a special strain of hare which Palestinian agronomists are convinced will be able to provide their people with an essential source of meat protein if they are cut off from normal supplies by shortages or curfews. Household self-sufficiency has been adopted as the central slogan and goal of the local committees, as they have come to appreciate that their ability to continue defying the occupation will depend very much on whether they can furnish alternatives to people's normal sources of livelihood and sustenance. We are told that the committees are also active in the area of self-defense, mainly by posting guards to alert their neighbors at the approach of soldiers or settlers, but also to teach people first aid so that the victims of violence can avoid the hospitals.

Our hosts bristle at what they interpret at one point to be a hint in one of my questions of disapproval of stone-throwing by the *shebab*. But when they understand the question, it turns out they are equally opposed to escalating the Palestinian opposition to the level of armed struggle. They believe that the stones are the only way to demonstrate to Israel and to world opinion that even a vast array of the most sophisticated instruments of violence cannot subjugate a people against its will. But they fully concur with the PLO view that to fight bullets with bullets — assuming the insurgents could lay their hands on them — would eliminate their advantage in the propaganda war and invite Israel to unleash the full force of its military might. It is clearly very important to these leaders of the insurrection that we pass on the message that they feel no enmity towards Jews, nor even towards Zionism provided it is not permeated by what they term an "ideology of conquest". In the words of one of the committee members, they profoundly want Israelis to understand that "we are not terrorists who want to destroy Israel, we seek only to live in peace in our own country."

Palestinians Fight for Statehood — They Claim

Talk of tactics thus inevitably leads us into the larger issue of strategy. At this level it is obvious what the people of the occupied territories are fighting against; the question is, what do they see themselves as striving for? Our hosts say that they are vehemently opposed to the Schultz-Peres approach, believing that it can culminate in nothing more than the substitution

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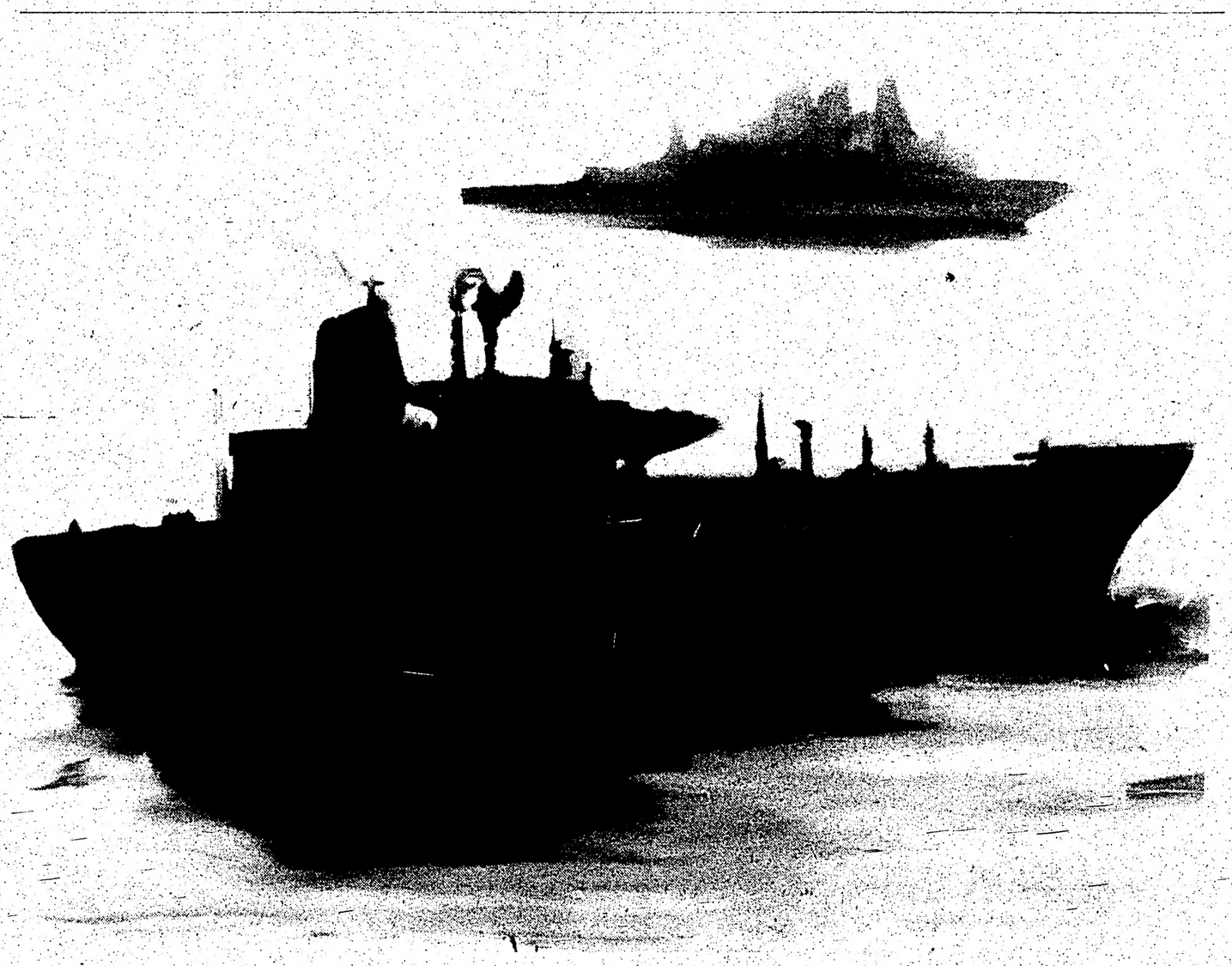

"PERSIAN GULF" BY STEPHEN LACK, GALERIE DANIEL, MONTREAL

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not enjoy the independence of Israel. Nor, as yet, have the travails of Ukraine or Ukrainians in this century, such as the famine, captured attention to the same extent as the Jewish Holocaust, perhaps because in the very homeland of Ukrainians, such subjects are often still suppressed by the Soviet regime.

Ukrainians Perceive a Jewish Monopoly on Suffering

For some time, Ukrainian-Canadian scholars and communal leaders have been struggling with the task of analyzing and strengthening contemporary Canadian identity in Canada. The importance of symbols, whether in material artifacts, rituals or ideas, has been central to this effort. And the symbolic role of Ukraine as ravaged homeland may have an important part to play in that effort. But Ukrainians are not just victims of a local tyranny. Their history of victimization must, like the Holocaust's be incorporated into the large historical narrative of western society. Robert Conquest's scholarly study of the famine, and recent film depicting its devastation, are examples of that attempt. Certainly the Ukrainian legacy of sorrow is a long and profound one. But as one Ukrainian observer noted, Ukrainians, like others, may perceive a Jewish monopoly on suffering.

> "Ukrainian dancers for the Queen are fine, but millions churned into mud for fertilizer following an artificially induced and orchestrated famine do not dance for the Queen; they are silent. Until very recently they had no place in language. Images of *perogies* are acceptable, images of *pysanky* and colourful costumes are magnificent, but thousands, hands tied behind their backs with chicken wire, shot in the nape of the neck with .22 calibre pistols are too grisly to contemplate. Vinnytsia, Mordovia, Kolyma — these are past history and not of this social formation. And what of children left to freeze and starve on the Canadian prairies because some immigration official feared the possibility of contagious diseases that did not exist? What of internment camps for the bohunks? The question is not of one oppressed and suffering people, but of the generalized oppression and torment of people. We are shown Auschwitz; we are shown Buchenwald. We are not shown Kolyma; we are not shown Mordovia; we do not hear millions of Armenians; we do not see the smallpox imported on trade-blankets for native Indians. We are not told the whole truth."

Both Jews and Ukrainians are increasingly turning to ceremony and ritual to mark their respective tragedies; statues, commemorative events, books and films abound. But Jews have a head start. The past ten years have seen an outpouring of books both scholarly and popular, film treatments of all types, university courses, seminars and discussions, and Presidential Commissions focused on the Holocaust. Elie Wiesel, its chronicler, has won the Nobel Peace Prize.

And what they see as a cruel irony, when it comes to the Holocaust, Ukrainians have been cast, through war crimes media coverage and investigations, as persecutors rather than as the victims they often were and largely perceive themselves to be. Homelands offer to ethnic groups an attachment to history and source of identity. But people may not share the same vision of history. Historic events in Ukraine during World War II, and current events like the Demjanjuk trial in Israel, have cast a long shadow over contacts between Ukrainians and Jews in Canada, making institutional relations difficult. Undoubtedly, contacts between individual Ukrainians and Jews will increase as both communities share the same urban landscape, middle class professional values and aspirations in an ever more open Canadian society. But will this bridge the distance between the corporate Ukrainian polity and its Jewish counterpart in Canada? This is hard to know. Each community wears its own strait-jacket or moral self-righteousness. Each retains a deeply pained conviction of having been maligned, victimized and repressed, partly at the hands of the other.

Some might argue this is all in the past and thousands of miles from Canada's shores; it should be set aside, forgotten. Yet these antagonisms were exacerbated by the creation of the Deschênes Commission of Inquiry in Canada and the Ukrainian response to the Demjanjuk trial. Thus past and current events in Ukraine and Israel shape not only their respective communities, but inter-communal relations as well. ■

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the window and saw a huge column of people on the "Ferdinand Bridge", right across from our Podmanitzky Street house. That huge column was slowly making its way toward us. It was guarded by "Arrow Cross" party members toting machine guns. Soon the doors of the Podmanitzky Street house were thrown open and the "Arrow Cross", accompanied by the Hungarian police, demanded that everyone between the ages of 15 and 65 go down to the courtyard with their identification papers.

And under the November sky, in the rain, in that open courtyard, without food or shelter, they waited. And then they were sorted into groups of 2000, and all their money and valuables and warm clothes were stolen from them. And then they were told to start walking — to Vienna.

Idiot Feri never understood the world of grownups and he could never have grasped the meaning of all that was happening to him. But after several days of walking, he realized that with every step he took, he was getting further and further away from the one place where he had his own little corner, where every day he received letters from someone who loved him and where all the kids were his close friends. . . . He said to the people around him: "I'm fed up! I'm fed up! I'm not walking any more! I'm going home! You understand? I'm going home!" . . . He got out of the line, turner around and walked in the opposite direction. . . . Feri walked home. . . . He was shot in the back. . . . As far as Clubfoot Pista is concerned, . . . well, of course, a man with a clubfoot cannot walk from Budapest to Vienna in November without food or shelter or warm clothes. He just couldn't. He couldn't walk.

. . . They shot him too.

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Some time ago, I listened to a storyteller who said: "This is a story about some people who were so poor that nothing remained after them but this story." . . . And that made me think. Isn't a story just as good as a monument made of stone? Doesn't a story last just as long? And that is my purpose. I want to erect a modest, little monument with this story. . . . And here is the inscription: "Somewhere, along the Budapest Vienna highway, in a ditch, or in a farmer's field, or in a mass grave, there is some dust. That dust was once Idiot Feri, and Clubfoot Pista, two people who never in all their lives harmed anyone, either in thought or in deed. And they were forgotten. Until one night, on the other side of the Atlantic Ocean, when stories were told by candlelight, they were remembered. . . . They were remembered with love. ■

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of Jordanian policemen for Israeli policemen. Only an International Conference of the major powers would be capable of imposing peaceful relations between a Palestinian state and its reluctant future neighbors. And it is most definitely statehood which is both their minimum and maximum objectives; Palestinian sovereignty over the West Bank, Gaza and East Jerusalem. But even if they are truly reconciled to living permanently alongside pre-1967 Israel, I wonder aloud how it could be that these Palestinian nationalists can be striving for control of such a vulnarable territorial hybrid. To my surprise, they brush such consideration aside — if there is peace, they say, defensible borders will not be an issue.

Are they pathetically naive? Are they just pretending, in order to make an impression on some gullible Israelis? Yet the solution to the war between Israel and the Palestinians really is so patently obvious, that in a moment of fantasy one imagines the Government of Israel readily consenting to a revival of the stillborn partition of the forties, as it grasps that the leaders of the Palestinian uprising want no more than to live in peace in their own state while we do the same in ours. Then our taxi brings us back, to the Israel that we never really left, where zealots with heads adorned by knitted skullcaps or talismans of feminine modesty shout slogans about biblical rights; where politicians, military men and scientists ponder how more efficiently to eliminate opposition to the occupation; and where soldiers argue over whether they ought to carry out their mission of playing lethal tag with Palestinian youngsters in a spirit of dejection and moral confusion, with grim determination and a minimum of self-doubt, or else in bloodthirsty celebration. I remember now more clearly why it was that when our hosts asked each one of us what we thought of the *intifadah* after our day in Nablus, my reply was that the metaphorically bleeding hearts of the Israeli left signify little. Tragically, it is only the bleeding bodies of Arabs and Jews that hold out any hope of convincing my countrymen and women that Israel must at last unburden itself of its coercive rule over the Palestinians. ■

Shabbat Vigil

My children have left home
and taken Shabbat with them.

I hope G-d will understand
that I
alone
cannot create enough light
for the Shabbat Queen
to find her way.

by Daniel Lowe

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